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REPORT OF THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES COMMISSION.

DECEMBER 28, 1906.

To the Executive Council of the American Historical Association:

The Public Archives Commission of the American Historical Association submits the following report for the year 1906:

The Commission reports continued progress in the work of investigating the public archives in various parts of the country. Its investigations have been conducted, as in previous years, by its adjunct and associate members, upon whom has fallen the burden of this work.

The following additions have been made to the corps of workers representing the Commission:

Connecticut.—Mr. N. P. Mead, College of the City of New York, associate member.

Georgia.—Miss Julia A. Flisch, of Augusta, Ga., associate member.

Maine.—Prof. Allen Johnson, Bowdoin College, Maine. In the State of Maine the Commission has not been previously represented.

As a part of the results of the work that has been in progress during the past year, the seven following reports have been prepared and are herewith submitted:

Arkansas.—A report on work of State History Commission, by Prof. J. H. Reynolds, of the State University, and secretary of the Arkansas History Commission.

Connecticut.—A report upon the local records of the counties and towns, by Mr. N. P. Mead, of the College of the City of New York.

Delaware.—A report upon the State and county archives, by Dr. Edgar Dawson, of Princeton University, recently of Delaware.

Florida.—A report on the State archives of Florida, by Prof. David Y. Thomas, of the University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla.

Georgia.—A report on the archives of the city of Augusta and of the county of Richmond, by Miss Julia A. Flisch, of Augusta.

Ohio.—A report upon the State archives and the archives of Ross County, by Prof. R. C. Stevenson, of Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware.

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Tennessee.—A report upon the local archives, by Prof. St. George L. Sioussat, University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

It had been expected that reports would be ready for publication on the archives of California, Virginia, and West Virginia, but unforeseen circumstances have prevented their completion. Investigations are well advanced in Illinois and Missouri, and it is hoped that the results will be ready from these States as well as from several others a year hence. In addition to continuing the work of investigation the Commission decided upon a new undertaking, namely, the preparation of a bibliography of the available printed archives of the original thirteen States, including also the District of Maine and Vermont. The bibliography, which comprises the second and most considerable portion of the following report, at present is limited to the colonial period and the State period down to 1789. In June of the current year the Commission were fortunate in securing for this work the service of Miss Adelaide R. Hasse, superintendent of the department of documents of the New York Public Library. She generously placed her services and her professional information freely at the disposal of the Commission, who take pleasure in expressing their appreciation of her work and in making due acknowledgment of their obligation. They desire also to express their indebtedness to several persons for the assistance rendered in examining the bibliographical lists of particular colonies with a view to supplying omissions or suggesting corrections. Particular acknowledgments are made elsewhere in the report.

The Commission desires it understood that both they and the compiler are fully aware of the fact that this bibliography is incomplete. It was believed that the usefulness of such a bibliography warranted the Commission in publishing it in its present form rather than withholding it for the inclusion of additional items.

At best such a list could not be final, owing to the extreme scarcity and inaccessibility of many of the colonial imprints. Publications hitherto unknown are constantly being brought to light. In the preparation of this bibliography it has been the object of the compiler to furnish a list which will not only assist students and investigators of the period, but which will also indicate the strength and weakness of the published records of a particular colony or State at a given time. It was believed that these purposes would be best subserved by classifying the documentary material under the head of the several departments of government, thus, so to speak, reproducing the political anatomy of the period and at the same time clothing it with the available archives material in print. In carrying out this project of providing a record of the published public archives the purely bibliographical features have been subordinated. It is

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believed, however, that sufficient have been retained to serve as a guide to the documentary material.

The work of transcribing documents in the English archives for the Library of Congress, inaugurated in 1902, has been continued during the past year under the direction of the subcommittee consisting of Professors Andrews and Osgood. Already a considerable body of material has been transcribed and is available in the Library of Congress.[a]

The record of legislation by the States on archives matters during the year 1906 is not so notable as during the preceding year. The most important action was that taken by the State of Iowa. A movement inaugurated in 1901 for the establishment of a depository for the public archives has been successful in securing the passage of an act providing for the preservation of the public archives by the State Library and Historical Department in a Hall of Public Archives located in the new State Historical and Memorial Art building.[b]

The text of the act follows:

AN ACT Providing for the care and permanent preservation of the public archives, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it enacted by the general assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That for the care and preservation of the public archives the State library and historical department of Iowa are hereby given the custody of all the original public documents, papers, letters, records, and other official manuscripts of the State executive and administrative departments, offices or officers, councils, boards, bureaus, and commissions, ten years after the date or current use of such public documents, papers, letters, records, or other official manuscripts: *Provided*, That the executive council shall have the power and authority to order the transfer of such records, or any part thereof, at any time prior to the expiration of the limit of ten years hereinbefore provided, or to retain the same in the respective offices beyond such limit according as in the judgment of the council the public interest or convenience may require.

SEC. 2. That the general State executive and administrative departments, officers or offices, councils, boards, bureaus, and commissioners, are hereby authorized and directed to transfer and deliver to the State library and historical department such of the public archives as are designated in section one (1) of this act, except such as in the judgment of the executive council should be longer retained in the respective offices.

SEC. 3. That the State library and historical department is hereby authorized and directed to receive such of the public archives and records as are designated in section one (1) of this act, and provide that the same be properly arranged, classified, labeled, filed, and calendared.

SEC. 4. That for the care and permanent preservation by the State library and historical department of the public archives hereinbefore designated the executive council is hereby authorized and directed to provide, furnish, and equip such room or rooms in the historical memorial and art building (now in

[a] For list of recent additions, consult the report of the Librarian of Congress for 1906, pp. 137–139.

[b] See a comprehensive article on the Public Archives, by Benj. F. Shambaugh, in the Annals of Iowa, January, 1907, pp. 25–33.

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process of erection) as may be deemed necessary for the purposes of this act, and the room or rooms thus provided for shall be known as the hall of public archives.

SEC. 5. That for carrying out the purposes of this act there is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys in the State treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) per annum for three years, to be expended under the direction of the board of trustees of the State library and historical department.[a]

The Kentucky legislature passed an act March 16, 1906, providing for an appropriation of the sum of $5,000 annually to the Kentucky Historical Society to defray the expenses of the publication of The Register and for promoting the historical interests of the State, but no express mention is made in the law of the collection and supervision of the archives.[b]

Some of the commissions and departments established by the legislation of 1905, referred to in our last report, have made good progress. Both the Arkansas History Commission and the West Virginia Bureau of State Archives and History have published their first report. The commission of six members of the Delaware Division of Public Records has organized and accomplished some preliminary work, but their efforts have been retarded by the lack of funds. An attempt will be made to secure a modest appropriation at the approaching session of the legislature.[c]

It is gratifying to be able to announce that the Department of Archives and History of the State of Alabama is soon to be provided with a commodious fireproof office and depository. As indicated in a previous report on Alabama,[d] the archives have been in a certain sense in a state of transition, that is, they were only gradually being assembled under the control of the department of archives and history. Owing to the lack of adequate accommodations Dr. Thomas M. Owen, the director of the department, had been unable to do other than exercise a general supervision over the records constructively but not actually in his possession.

The director is now able to report the consummation of plans for at last bringing together in one repository all of the records referred to. Four years ago the legislature of that State provided for an extension and enlargement of the State capitol. The capitol building commission in planning the extension very wisely provided a fireproof record room about 65 by 40 feet in size, where the department of archives and history could mass the State archives. Advice from Doctor Owen indicates that early in 1907 his hopes will be realized. When this is done the whole collection will be very carefully ar-

[a] Laws of Iowa, chapter 142, p. 104.

[b] Laws of Kentucky for 1906, pp. 256–259.

[c] Since this report was written the legislature of 1907 has appropriated $1,000, and also provided for building a fireproof room in the Statehouse at Dover.

[d] American Historical Association Report for 1904, pp. 487–553.

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ranged and very minutely classified. Indexing and cataloguing will follow as rapidly as possible.

In order to learn what had been done by the several States for the collection, preservation, and supervision of the public records, the Commission requested one of its members, Mr. Robert T. Swan, commissioner of public records of the State of Massachusetts, to prepare a summary of the legislation and practice prevailing in the several States and Territories. This résumé, based upon the statutes and the statements of the secretaries of state of the respective States and Territories, is presented as the first of the accompanying reports. This summary furnishes not only important data concerning the legislation on this subject, indicating the recent tendency to provide more adequately for the care of the State archives, but it also reveals the general neglect on the part of the States to make provision for the adequate supervision of the local records in the custody of the various county, city, town, and other local officials. It appears at the present time that only in the three States of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut is any State supervision over the local records provided for. Elsewhere there seems to be no adequate provision for the enforcement of the laws in regard to the preservation of this class of records. Communications received from the representatives of the Commission in the various States indicate that the need of supervision is general. Legislation to supply this should be the next step forward.

Respectfully submitted.

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SUMMARY OF THE PRESENT STATE OF LEGISLATION OF THE STATES AND TERRITORIES RELATIVE TO THE CUSTODY AND SUPERVISION OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS.

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Commissioner of Public Records of the State of Massachusetts.

Desiring to ascertain what has been done in the several States in the line of better provision for the custody and care of the public records, including State, county, town, and court records, the honorable secretary of each of the States and Territories was asked to furnish references to the laws now in force relating to the records. Also whether there was any commissioner or official having charge of the general subject, and whether any action had been taken toward legislation in this direction. At the request of some of the secretaries replies have been made by persons known to be versed in the subject.

The replies might be condensed into a general statement that, with a very few exceptions, the States have no laws relating to the public records, and that only in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut (named in the order of date of passage of the acts authorizing it) is there any State supervision of the records. As, however, records of the same kind are in the custody of a different class of officials in different States, there being, for instance, a county clerk in some having custody of records which in another State are distributed, it is thought best, even at the risk of unnecessary repetition, to present the information by States.

Except in Massachusetts, there is no definition in the laws of the words "public records," and the replies show a different understanding of the words, the word "archives," which in some of the States means a distinct collection of ancient matter, being used in some of them as synonymous with records.

It is to be hoped that the States which have established departments of archives and history will not stop at this provision for the care of the records chiefly to be found in the custody of the State departments, but will take action to recover and care for the valuable records fast going to destruction scattered through the counties, towns, and villages. The discovery and reclamation of some of these have

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been of great help to historians. Especially should the younger States, taking warning from the older, commence right. Hawaii is to be commended for her action.

As this summary deals with the legislation concerning the records rather than with the records themselves, no reference is made to the interesting and exhaustive reports upon those of several of the States which have been printed in the reports of the Association.

Alabama.—The matter of the custody of the public records for the State, county, municipality, etc., is under the control of the proper authorities of the respective bodies. A department of archives and history was established February 27, 1901. It is the custodian of the entire collection of State archives, and since its establishment the entire method of caring for them has undergone a complete change. Except for the provision that any county or other official may turn over any of its records not in current use it would appear not to have supervision over the local records.[a]

Alaska is not yet under Territorial form of government, and the laws governing the district are the Civil Code, approved June 6, 1900, and the amendments thereto, in which will be found, under their respective heads, provisions for the preservation of the public records in the various public offices.

Arizona.—The records are under control of the officials of their respective offices. There is no general supervision. Reference is made to the Revised Statutes, 1901.

Arkansas.—Each city, town, and county keeps and takes care of its own records. There is no general supervision. The Arkansas History Commission was established by the general assembly by an act passed April 27, 1905, as set forth in the annual report of this Association for the year 1905.[b]

California.—The records of the superior courts are preserved in the offices of the county clerks of the several counties; the "records of the counties," in the offices of the clerks of the boards of supervisors of the several counties; those of the towns, in the offices of the town clerks; those of the supreme court, in the office of the clerk. "Other State records after they are 4 years old are kept in the archives of the secretary of state." There is no general supervision.

Colorado.—No reply was received, but examination of the laws shows no special law pertaining to records and no general supervision.

Connecticut.—In accordance with a joint resolution passed June 13, 1899, a commission of public records was appointed to inquire and report to the general assembly the condition of the public records of the State, including court, county, town, society, and

[a] American Historical Association Report, 1904, 487–489.
[b] Vol. I, pp. 331, 332.

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parish records, and to recommend the best methods of preservation. The commission in 1901 was continued until July 1, 1903. June 9, 1903, an act was passed establishing a temporary examiner of public records to hold office for two years. In July, 1905, the term was further extended to 1907. He exercises supervision over the records throughout the State and reports thereon to the governor, with recommendations. Following these recommendations the legislature has passed several acts relating to court and municipal records which has resulted in improved conditions.

Delaware.—Chapter 3, section 3, of the Revised Statutes (1893) provides that the respective prothonotaries, clerks of the peace, clerks of the orphans' court, register in chancery, registers of wills, recorders, and sheriffs shall keep all records, books, papers, and other things belonging to their respective offices in their said offices, respectively, which shall be kept open at all times, Sundays excepted. There is no other general law. By an act approved March 16, 1905, a division of public records was created. The act is given in full in the annual report of this Association for 1905.[a] The jurisdiction of the division is confined to State and county records, and there would seem to be no provision for supervision of the city and town records.

Florida.—There is no general law relating specifically to the public records. Chapter 217 of the Revised Statutes provides for the custody of certain records. There is no general supervision.

Georgia.—There is no general law relating to the records and no general supervision.

Hawaii.—There were no laws in the Territory relating to the custody and condition of the public records until 1905, when the legislature provided for the appointment of a board of public archives, composed of three members, of whom the secretary of the Territory is one. The board is to collect all public archives and arrange, classify, and inventory them. A new hall of records has been erected as a depository for the same. Other than this there is no special supervision.

Idaho.—There are no separate statutes relating to the public records, and there is no provision for general supervision.

Illinois.—Chapter 116 of the statutes of Illinois, entitled "Records," deals with methods of procedure in certain matters, such as lost records, copies, decrees, etc., but not with the general matter. There is no chapter governing generally, and there is no general supervision. By act of May 16, 1903, the State Historical Society was made a department of the State Historical Library with certain powers of examining local records for historical purposes.[b]

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[a] Vol. I, pp. 332, 333.

[b] Laws of Illinois, 1903, p. 229.

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Indiana.—The secretary of state is custodian of legislative and other records relating to elections, corporations, etc. Various sections of the general statutes provide for preservation of certain records and for their care, but there is no general law. There is no commission having charge of the general subject. The condition of the records is far from satisfactory.

Iowa.—There is no general law or State supervision of the records. The State has appropriated money for the State Historical Society for work upon the archives, and by an act approved April 10, 1906, provides for the preservation of the archives,[a] but it is evident that the State records are the subject of the legislation.

Kansas.—All the records are in the care of the several departments of the State, counties, cities, towns, and courts. The act of March 4, 1905, provides that any State, county, or other official may turn over to the Kansas Historical Society any records not required by law to be kept in such office three years after the current use of the same or sooner in the discretion of the head of the department.[b] There is no general supervision.

Kentucky.—The laws relating to the records are scattered through the statutes, the law relating to each office being in the general law fixing duties, etc. There is no general supervision.

Louisiana.—There has been no legislation relative to the public records as a whole, and there is no general supervision.

Maine.—The records of State matters are kept in the office of the secretary of state; county records by the respective departments of each county; court records by the respective clerks of courts in each county, and city and town records by the clerks of each municipality. There is no general law and no supervision. There has been some individual effort to secure legislation, but without results.

Maryland.—A public-record commission was established in 1904 by an act printed in the annual report of this Association for that year.[c] In the codification of the General Laws in 1904 there are a number of statutes relating to certain records but not to municipal records. There is no general law and no supervision except as authorized for the record commission.

Massachussetts.—The legislature of 1851 passed a general law entitled "An act for the better preservation of municipal and other records." This with additional legislation is codified in chapter 35 of the Revised Laws of 1902. In 1884 the governor was authorized to appoint a commissioner of public records to report upon the records of the parishes, towns, and counties. In 1889 the office was continued for three years, and the commissioner was given supervision of the records. In 1892 the office was made permanent.

[a] See ante, p. 9. [b] Laws of Kansas, 1905, p. 597. [c] Pp. 483, 484.

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Chapter 35, quoted above, embodies the provisions for establishing the office and defines the duties of the commissioner. A detailed account of the commission was printed in the annual report of the Association for 1900.[a]

Michigan.—There is no general law relating to the records. The statutes governing county or township officers, courts, boards, and institutions contain provisions requiring them to keep records, but these are scattered through several hundred different statutes. There is no general supervision.

Minnesota.—There is no general law and no supervision, nor has there been any legislation bearing upon the subject of the public records.

Mississippi.—There is no general law and no general supervision. By an act approved February 26, 1902, a department of archives and history was created, but excepting for a provision for the turning over to the department of any records not in current use it would seem to have no care of any records other than those usually classed as archives.[b]

Missouri.—There is no general law covering all records. Chapter 148 of the Revised Statutes, entitled "Records, Public," deals chiefly with court records and proceedings in connection therewith, although certain requirements relate to any civil or military officer having records pertaining to his office. Other provisions are in their appropriate chapters. There is no general supervision.

Montana.—The secretary of state is custodian of the State records, the county clerks of the county records, the clerks of the courts of the court records, and city and town clerks of municipal records. There is no general law and no supervision, nor has legislative action been taken in the matter.

Nebraska.—There is no general law relating to the records and no State supervision.

Nevada.—There is no general law and no State supervision; neither has there been any proposed legislative action in the matter.

New Hampshire.—There is no general law relating to the public records and no State supervision. There has been some action looking toward legislation in the matter, but thus far without results. Under an act approved March 11, 1897, the records of all the courts of the Province of New Hampshire prior to April 29, 1769, were removed from the county record building at Exeter to the State library building at Concord. Under an act approved March 10, 1899, all records and deeds and all probate records and all the original papers of the Province to the same date were also deposited there.

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[a] Vol. II, pp. 47 to 59.

[b] Laws of Mississippi, 1902, p. 52.

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New Jersey.—A public record commission was established in 1897 by the following act, approved April 3. The text of this act is given below:

AN ACT in relation to public records in this State.

Whereas in most of the townships and in many of the counties and municipalities of this State there is no adequate provision made for the secure and permanent preservation of the public records. In consequence whereof many records of great value have been lost and many more are in danger of loss or destruction, and it is important that some measures should be devised to prevent further loss or destruction of such records:

Be it enacted by the senate and general assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. The governor shall appoint three persons as a commission on the public records of this State, who shall inquire into the nature and condition of the public records of this State and of the several counties, townships, cities, and other municipalities in the State; how, where, and in whose custody or possession such records are kept; what provision, if any, is made for the safe and permanent preservation thereof, and what measures, in the judgment of the commission, should be taken to secure the safe and permanent preservation of such public records, where they can be convenient of access to the public, if there is no such provision at present; and such commission shall report to the governor from time to time the result of their inquiries, with such recommendations as to them shall seem advisable.

2. It shall be the duty of all public officers in this State to afford all reasonable facilities to said commission for acquiring a full knowledge as to the nature and condition of the public records, how, where, and in whose custody the same are kept, and what provision, if any, is made for the safe and permanent preservation thereof, and the facilities afforded for their convenient inspection by the public.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.[a]

New Mexico.—The acts relating to the records are scattered through the Compiled Laws for 1897, and subsequent acts under the headings pertaining to the Territorial, county, city, and town.

New York.—There is no general law and no supervision. In 1902 a bill following the Massachusetts law failed to pass the legislature.[b]

North Carolina.—There is no general law and no State supervision. Scattered through the Public and General Statutes are provisions for keeping certain records. In 1905 a historical commission was appointed whose duty it is to collect historical data for printing and distribution, but it has no authority over the records.[c]

North Dakota.—There is no general law relating to the public records nor any general supervision, and no action toward it has ever been taken.

Ohio.—There has never been any compilation of the laws relating to the public records. These are scattered through statutes under the

[a] Laws of New Jersey, 1897, p. 105.

[b] American Historical Association Reports for 1902, Vol. I, pp. 332–336; ibid., 1903, Vol. I, p. 411.

[c] Act of March 9, 1903. Laws of North Carolina, 1903, p. 767.

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chapters relating to the offices having records. There is no general supervision.

Oklahoma.—There is no general law relating to the records and no supervision. The legislature of 1905 appropriated $2,000 per annum for 1905 and 1906 to the Oklahoma Historical Society to be used as the board of directors may direct.

Oregon.—There is no general law relating to the custody or condition of the public records and no State supervision. No legislative action on the subject has been proposed.

Pennsylvania.—A division of public records was established by an act of the legislature of 1903, which was printed in the annual report of the Association for 1903.[a]

Rhode Island.—Previous to 1896 the only law relating to the public records was chapter 31 of the General Laws, which provides for delivery of records to the proper officials, and there is no general law. In accordance with the recommendation of Governor Charles Warren Lippitt, the following resolution was passed on the 14th of May, 1896, authorizing the appointment of a State record commissioner:

RESOLUTION Providing for the appointment of a record commissioner and making appropriation therefor.

Resolved, That the governor be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint a person to be known as State record commissioner, whose duty it shall be to prepare for the use of the State a detailed report of the number, kind, and condition of the various public records in the custody and under the control of State, city, and town officers in this State, and such parish and church records as may be obtainable relating to extinct or active church organizations in said State, and as far as possible, of the records and place of deposit in other States relating to the several cities and towns in the State of Rhode Island; and that for the purpose aforesaid the sum of six hundred dollars be, and the same is hereby, appropriated, and the State auditor is hereby directed to allow such bills for the same as may be approved by the governor, and pay the same from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

The commissioner has no authority to compel towns or officials to preserve or provide for the care of their records. He was authorized by a resolution passed on May 6, 1898, to compile a list of the officers and soldiers of the Colony and State of Rhode Island who were engaged in the colonial wars and the war of the Revolution.

Upon completion of the new State house his office was established there, where a vast amount of matter relating to the records is accessible. The annual reports present in detail results of his work, with recommendations for legislation which should be adopted.

The report on the archives of Rhode Island, by Clarence S. Brigham, esq., printed in the annual report of this Association for 1903,[b] gives valuable information in this connection.

[a] Vol. I, pp. 411 to 413.

[b] Vol. I, pp. 534–644.

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South Carolina.—There is no general law. By the Civil Code of 1902 certain officers are charged with keeping specific records. There is no general supervision. An act reorganizing the historical commission is printed in the annual report of the Association for 1905.[a]

South Dakota.—There is no general law and no supervision.

Tennessee.—There is no general law relating to the public records, which are under control of the immediate officeholders in their respective State, county, and municipal offices. There is no State supervision. In response to an invitation from the legislature Hon. Thomas M. Owen and Dunbar Rowland, archivists, respectively of Alabama and Mississippi, addressed the legislature of 1905 on the best method of preservation of the State's records, but no legislation, further than a resolution of thanks, seems to have been passed, except an appropriation to pay the salary of a secretary of a department of archives during the next two years.

Texas.—The heads of the several offices containing public records have the custody and control of their respective records. There is no general law pertaining to the records and no State supervision. By several acts archives have been defined; provision has been made for them in the basement of the capitol; and a commissioner of agriculture, insurance, statistics, and history has been authorized. His duty is directed toward the history of the State, and he is to demand and receive from all officers having them in charge all books, papers, etc., not necessary to the current duties of their offices which relate to its history.

Utah.—There is no general law relating to the custody and condition of the records and no State supervision.

Vermont.—Each department has the custody and control of the records in its department, and each town and county clerk and judge of probate has such custody in his respective political division. There is no State supervision, and no legislative action has been taken in that direction.

Virginia.—There is no general law relating to the public records. They are in the custody of the departments of the Commonwealth and the clerks of the several county and municipal offices. The State records, which are under the control of the secretary of state, have been placed under the care of the State library board.[b] There is no supervision by the Commonwealth.

Washington.—There is no general law relating to the public records. The State records are in the custody of the secretary of state, those of the counties of the county auditors, and the cities by the city clerks. Other officers keep certain of their own records, but in the main these are the usual custodians. There is no State supervision.

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[a] Vol. I, p. 333.

[b] American Historical Association Reports for 1903, Vol. I, pp. 645, 646.

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West Virginia.—There is no general law relating to the public records. The records are in the custody of the several State, county, city, and town officials in their respective offices. There is no State supervision. A bureau of history and archives was established by an act passed February 21, 1905, as stated in the annual report of this Association for 1905.[a]

Wisconsin.—The Revised Statutes of 1898 contain many acts pertaining to certain records, but there is no general law or supervision.

Wyoming.—The Revised Statutes of 1899 prescribe the custody of various records by the several officials. There is no general law or supervision.

[a] Vol. I, pp. 335–337.

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PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF ARKANSAS.

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INTRODUCTION.

The Arkansas Historical Association was organized in December, 1903, with headquarters at the University of Arkansas. The association is incorporated. Notwithstanding vigorous efforts were made, only a comparatively small membership was secured. This fact so limited the income that its field of operation was circumscribed within such narrow limits that little could be done. This led to an appeal to the general assembly, which, April 27, 1905, passed a bill creating the Arkansas History Commission. Since that time the commission has been busily engaged in preparing an inventory of the source of material of Arkansas history. The burden of this work has fallen upon the secretary of the commission, the author of this paper. The results of their labors have just appeared in the form of Volume I of the Publications of the Arkansas Historical Association, a volume of over 500 pages. The matter appearing in this chapter was written primarily for that publication. The association is now before the legislature asking that their work be permanently organized and that provision be made for continued support.

STATE OFFICERS.

The investigation was conducted in the summer of 1906. It was confined to a few offices, because time would not permit a thorough examination of all offices. In the case of the offices of secretary of state and attorney-general, the method of work was to go through the office, book by book, and list them by subject, giving period covered by each volume. The author then classified these dates, checked them up, and in this way ascertained whether a given set of records was complete; if incomplete, what volumes were missing. In writing the chapter he listed and briefly explained each line of record on file; he followed this with a statement whether the class of records

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was complete or not. If incomplete, the missing period was given, it being deemed inadvisable to publish an itemized list of all the volumes of each line of public records, as this would be long and tedious and would serve no useful purpose.

In preparing the paragraph on other offices, the method was to examine each class of records and, in a general way, by personal inspection and inquiry of officials to ascertain their completeness. It is true this is less thorough than the method pursued in the offices of secretary of state and attorney-general, but it is believed that the work is sufficiently thorough to justify all the statements made regarding the records. In case of the boundary records in the land office, they were investigated in detail. Some of the records in all offices are in bad repair and need rebinding, notably a few military records in the secretary of state's office, the boundary records in the land office, and many records in the State library.

SECRETARY OF STATE.

This office was created in 1819. It is distinctively a records office. Its archives are richer in historical data than any other office. The secretary keeps the records of all official acts of the governor, of all his own official acts, and is the custodian of all the records of the general assembly.

RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Civil records.—The civil records contain a list of State, county, and township officers, giving date of commission and the county and township in which they reside. These records are well preserved and complete from the beginning of the government in 1819 to the present, except for the years 1865 and 1875. The volume covering the period from 1819 to 1836 is called the Official Register. There are twelve volumes in all.

Executive register.—This set of records contains all appointments made by the governor, commutations, and rewards offered for the arrest of criminals. These records begin with 1838, and are complete except for the years 1871 and 1872. If there were such records before 1838 they are missing. There are seven volumes of these records.

Pardon record.—This set of records contains the pardons granted by the governor, and they begin with 1866. The pardons prior to that date are to be found in the executive register. Separate and distinct pardon record books were found for the following periods: May, 1866, to June 29, 1868; May 13, 1898, to October 10, 1900; October 11, 1900, to March 24, 1904; March 28, 1904, to July 10, 1906. From 1868 to 1898 no separate records for pardons were found. For that period they perhaps may be found in the executive register.

Antitrust record.—This line of records contains a list of foreign and domestic corporations doing business in Arkansas, the date when antitrust affidavits were sent out by the office and the date of their return. The law requiring these records was passed in 1899, and since that date they are complete. The corporations are required to declare that they are not in any trust.

Railway contract leases.—Under our law the vender retains title to rolling stock until the purchase price is paid. Contracts executed for such stock are

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filed with the secretary of state, including a list of all rolling stock purchased by railroads operating in the State. The law of 1893 requires a record of these contracts. The records are complete from that time and are to be found in three volumes.

Notary public records.—Contains a list of notaries public by counties appointed by the governor, their post-office, and when qualified. These records seem to be complete.

Requisitions and warrants.—Contain warrants of arrest for escaped criminals issued by the governor upon requisitions from governors of other States. They also contain the requisitions by the governor of Arkansas upon the governors of other States for the rendition of fugitives from justice. Prior to 1905 this class of records was kept in the executive register. Since that date they are kept in a separate book under the title given above. There is an index to requisitions bearing date of 1865. This is an index to requisitions made prior to that date.

Railroad assessment record.—Contains the proceedings of the meetings of the State board of railroad commissioners for the assessment of railroad properties and the assessments made upon the railroads doing business in the State. These records are complete from 1868, when the first assessments were made. There are four volumes of these records.

Proclamations record.—Contains all the proclamations by the governor, including those offering rewards for arrest, fixing date for execution of criminals, etc. These records are complete from 1893 to the present, and are found in two volumes. Prior to that date they are to be found in the executive register. There is one volume containing proclamations of the governor from May, 1865, to March, 1881. This book, however, is in the nature of a scrapbook made up of proclamations taken from newspaper clippings.

Trade-mark record.—The legislature in 1883 passed a law offering protection to trade-marks if they were filed with the secretary of state. The record contains a list of trade companies, a statement of the character, and a facsimile copy of their trade-mark. This record is complete from 1883.

Articles of association.—Contains names of companies incorporated under the laws of the State, date of formation, purpose, list of directors and officers, capital stock. This set of records is in good condition and is complete from July 28, 1868, to the present except for the following periods: June 29, 1882, to January 26, 1885; May 4, 1887 to February 5, 1889.

Senate journals.—Contains a record of the proceedings of the senate, which includes the various steps in the passage and amendment of bills, the votes on same, the attitude of each senator on most measures. This set of records is in good condition and is complete except for the following periods: 1824–1833, 1834–1836, 1837–1840, 1850–51, 1853–1857.

House journals.—These records are the same in character for the house as the senate journals are for that body. These records are complete except for the following periods: 1826–1831, 1834–1842, 1856–1860.

Foreign corporations records.—This class of records contains a list of all foreign corporations doing business in Arkansas. Such corporations are required under our law to file a copy of their charter with the secretary of state, certified to by proper officials of the State of origin. The records are complete from March 1, 1899, to the present. None required prior to that date.

Acts of Arkansas.—The official copy of all acts of each session of the general assembly, signed by the proper officers of each house, is filed at the end of the session with the secretary of state. It is his duty to keep the original copy of these acts thus filed. They are found complete except for the following dates: Second session of Territorial legislature, 1821; third session, 1823; fourth ses-

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sion, 1825; fifth session, 1827; special session, 1828; seventh session, 1831; eighth session, 1850–51; tenth session, 1854–55; eleventh session, 1856–57.

Annual returns of railroad, express, telegraph, and sleeping car companies.—This class of records contains the returns made by railroad, telegraph, express, and sleeping car companies, giving a detailed list of all their properties within the State and the value thereof. These are found on file since 1884, and are complete. Not required prior to that date.

Convict register.—A register of State convicts is kept in the secretary of state's office, giving the name, crime, sentence, where tried, term of court, and nativity of each criminal. Two volumes were found, covering the period from 1881 to 1892.

Minutes of the Fayetteville Branch of State Bank.—Contains the proceedings of the meetings of the board of directors of the Fayetteville Branch of the State Bank from January, 1840, to October 12, 1846.

General ledger of general board of Real Estate Bank, 1839–1854.

Ledger of Fayetteville Branch of the State Bank, 1838–1841.

Exchange Credit of Bank of State of Arkansas, 1868–April, 1879.

Executive letters, August, 1868–April, 1879.—A letter book contains the communications to the governor about all kinds of business. One registrar writes that he can not register voters without protection, and calls for troops. Major Tisdale, of Carrollton, wries that 1,850 men can be raised there for militia. One Matthews, of Louisburg, writes that the parties engaged in recent outbreak there had left the country, were skulking in the woods, or had joined the bushwhackers.

Telegrams received.—This book contains copies of military telegrams received by the governor of Arkansas from April, 1865, to March, 1871.

Letters.—Press copy of letters of Governor Baxter from January to August, 1873; press copy of letters of the governor, May 20, 1872–January 3, 1873; press copies of executive letters, January 17, 1883–March 31, 1889; press copies of letters of adjutant-general, June 16, 1869–December 20, 1872; letters to quartermaster-general, with his indorsements thereon, November, 1868–September, 1871; letters of secretary of state, C. B. Moore, February 13, 1885–July 5, 1887; letters of John H. Creese, cashier of Bank of State of Arkansas, June, 1837–October, 1841; correspondence of commissioner of public works and internal improvements, May 1869–April, 1870—contains letters and petitions to the commissioner and his replies; abstracts of executive letters, September 2, 1868–December 14, 1870.

Report to Governor Clayton of commissioner of public works and internal improvements, filed October 6, 1868.—This report contains applications of railroad companies for State aid, report on condition of such companies, their resources and liabilities.

Miscellaneous.—Testimony in the Bynum case, 1901; map of boundary between Arkansas and Missouri, by Bazil Gordon, surveyor; tax returns of St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad, 1893–1906; ordinances and acts of convention of 1861; official copies of the constitutions of 1864, 1868, and 1874, on parchment in tin cases; records of penitentiary physicians, May, 1893; index to writs of elections, 1879–1885; index to record 11, volumes 1 and 2, of articles of association; index to pardons, October, 1900.

Register of commissioners for Arkansas in other States.—This record contains a list of names of persons in other States commissioned to take acknowledgments for Arkansas in those States.

Official list of cities and towns.—This record gives a list of all cities incorporated in Arkansas, date of charter, to what class they belong, and in what county. The record is complete since 1844.

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Census list of cities.—Contains the census of all cities applying for incorporation.

Proceedings of board of municipal corporations.—January 18, 1879, to the present. This board consists of secretary of state, auditor, and attorney-general. They pass upon all applications of cities for charter.

Penitentiary ledger, May 7, 1883–May 13, 1892.

Journal of the secession convention.

County election commissioners.—The State board of election commissioners under our law appoints three election commissioners for each county. This record contains the county commissioners appointed for 1900 and 1904. No records prior to 1900 were found.

Military records.—January 6, 1837–March 11, 1861. This record contains a list of all officers of the militia of each county, with date of their commission. Each county seems to have had one regiment. It moreover contains a list of the captains, first and second lieutenants of each company raised in the several counties as volunteer companies of cavalry requisitioned by Secretary of War, May 15, 1846. It also lists the officers of battalions raised under the same requisition for service on Arkansas frontiers. This is a large volume and is about to fall to pieces. It should be rebound.

Incorporation charters, No. 1.—This record contains certificates of incorporation of manufacturing concerns, stating that the company has complied with the laws and is incorporated. These records have been kept since May 14, 1903, and are on file.

Township records.—The county court under our law creates townships and fixes boundaries. Certificates of all such creations and alterations, with copy of action of the court, are certified to the secretary of state by the county clerk. These papers are carefully kept and preserved in alphabetical order. They contain the original divisions of each county into townships and all subsequent alterations. They are in tin filing cases.

Circuit clerk bonds.—Our law requires that the bonds of circuit clerks shall be filed with the secretary of state. These papers are on file in the office of the secretary in filing cases since 1880. No bonds were found for the period prior to that date. They may be in the basement.

House and senate bills.—The original copy of each bill introduced in the house and senate is filed with the secretary of state at the end of each session of the general assembly. On the back of each bill is marked by the clerks of the respective houses the action taken on the bill. The bills for a few recent sessions of the legislature are in filing cases in the secretary of state's office, but the great body of them have, for want of space, been dumped into the basement, where many of them are to be found yet.

Election returns.—Returns are made by the election commissioners of each county to the secretary of state of the votes cast at the general elections for all local and State offices and on any question which the voters are called upon to ballot. These returns show the votes by townships. The same returns are made for Congressional and Presidential elections. These returns for the last twelve years are in tin filing cases in the secretary of state's office. For the period prior to that time they have been dumped in the basement. Doubtless many are lost.

Charters of foreign corporations.—All foreign corporations doing business in the State are required to file copies of their charters, certified to by proper officials of the State of their origin. These charters are kept in tin filing cases. They are complete from 1899.

Penitentiary papers.—A number of tin filing cases are full of indiscriminate mixture of papers concerning the penitentiary, such as requisitions, appraise-

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ments of penitentiary property, commutations, reports of superintendents, bids for furniture for the penitentiary. These papers are on file in the office since 1893. No papers for an earlier date were found.

STATE LIBRARY.

The State library is only such in name. It is thus aptly described by Professor Shinn: "The library is located in what might be appropriately called 'The catacombs underlying the old statehouse.' To get a book is very much like the process of exhuming a mummy. The rooms are damp, dismal, and disagreeable."

In addition to the many thousands of volumes of public documents of Arkansas, of the Federal Government, and of other States, there are many valuable public records stored away here. The old statehouse has been inadequate for the proper care of the public archives for decades. All the offices are overcrowded and have been for many years. In order to transact routine business they have been compelled to find some place other than the offices to deposit the overflow papers and documents. The basement occupied by the State library has been for many years the common dumping ground to relieve this congestion. This is true of the secretary of state's office in particular, for most of the public documents found in the basement are under the care of this office.

Below is listed the more important documents in the library. It was found, however, impossible to classify and list the many thousand papers there owing to crowded conditions.

STATE AND REAL ESTATE BANK DOCUMENTS.

Teller's cashbook of the Western Branch of the Real Estate Bank, covering period from February 22, 1840, to March 26, 1844.

Teller's cashbook of the Real Estate Bank from March 2, 1841, to July, 1853.

Teller's cashbook of the Real Estate Bank from 1838 to 1839.

Record of stock of Columbia Branch of Real Estate Bank.

Stock book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank.

Ledger of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1840–1847.

Suit record, a record of all suits brought by the Real Estate Bank from its organization, and all suits disposed of by the bank after Albert Pike was appointed its sole attorney in November, 1841.

Discount book of Washington Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1839–40.

Discount book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1839–40.

Discount and credit book of Western Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1840–41.

Discount and credit book of Branch of State Bank, 1840–1845.

Discount and credit book of Real Estate Bank from December 10, 1838, to 1844.

Discount and credit book of Real Estate Bank, December, 1838, to 1851.

Journal of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank from February 15, 1839 to January 23, 1844; also contains record of business done by committee of trustees of Real Estate Bank from May 26, 1842, to March, 1844; also record of transactions of residuary trustees from April, 1844, to March, 1855.

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Journal of Central Branch of Real Estate Bank, containing journal of finance committee of the Central Branch from July, 1838, to March 10, 1840, and of the executive board of trustees and of the residuary trustees, August 16, 1842, to April, 1855.

Journal of Real Estate Bank at Little Rock from December 10, 1838, to August 15, 1842, and of the trustees from August 16, 1842, to September 10, 1847.

Journal of Washington Branch of Real Estate Bank from April 1, 1839, to February 27, 1844; also journal of trustees from February 22, 1844, to August 9, 1847.

Notes receivable for Fayetteville Branch Bank, 1838–39.

Proceedings of the exchange committee of Washington Branch of Real Estate Bank from June, 1839, to December 11, 1839.

Letter book of central board of Real Estate Bank, September 11, 1837–April 14, 1842; of trustees and residuary trustees, September 5, 1842–February 23, 1848.

Letter book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, February 11, 1839–April 18, 1842; of trustees and residuary trustees, July 26, 1842–November 2, 1848.

Schedule of board of managers of Real Estate Bank, containing subscriptions for stocks, residence, description of land, and number of acres of each subscriber. The name of Frederick Notrebe is the first on the roll.

Schedule of Western Branch of Real Estate Bank, being the same for this bank as above for the Real Estate Bank at Little Rock.

Individual ledger of Real Estate Bank, M to Z, 1842–1844.

Individual ledger of Real Estate Bank, A to Z, 1838–1841.

Ledger of Columbia Branch of Real Estate Bank, March, 1839–1847.

General ledger of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, February 16, 1839–1846.

Ledger of Washington Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1838–39.

Signature book of Columbia Branch of Real Estate Bank.

Record book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, containing mortgages, deeds, etc.

Invoice book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, March 18, 1839–July 21, 1841.

Check book of Fayetteville Branch Bank.

Day book of Real Estate Bank, 1838.

Check list of Real Estate Bank, 1838–39.

Cash deposit book of Helena Branch of Real Estate Bank, 1839–1852.

CIVIL WAR AND RECONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS.

Account book of carpetbag constitutional convention of 1868. This document shows that a delegate from Ashley County served from January 7 to February 12, inclusive, and drew mileage for 900 miles, which, together with his per diem, amounted to $716; that a delegate from St. Francis County served from January 7 to February 14, inclusive, and received pay for 880 miles, which, together with his per diem, amounted to $722.64; that the president of the convention was paid $1,064 for his services from January 7 to February 14, and was not required to state the number of miles traveled.

Copies of letters of Capt. Henry Page from headquarters, Army of Potomac, from November 19, 1863, to November 16, 1864; also June 21, 1867, to October 19, 1867.

Letter book of Henry Page, disbursing officer, from October 27, 1867, to April 28, 1868.

Circuit clerk's bonds, October 1863–January 3, 1865.

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Circuit clerk's bonds, November 28, 1864, to January, 1873.

Circuit and county clerks' bonds, December 5, 1872–March 5, 1876.

Warants of the governor from July 1, 1860, to December 10, 1879, containing warrants for secret service for the State.

Account book, giving record of accounts of secretary of state with Daily & Bros., job printers, of St. Louis, from 1865 to 1869.

Record of organization and proceedings of Arkansas State Council of the Union League of America, organized at Little Rock, October 6, 1871, with Governor Hadley, president, containing proceedings of the society and charters issued to local subordinate lodges. This record shows that the meeting held January 1, 1872, passed resolutions indorsing the administrations of Hadley, Grant, and Clayton, recommended Republican harmony, and resolved against the reinstatement of certain parties to Federal positions named in the resolution.

Account book of members of the constitutional convention of 1874. This book shows that the per diem of $6 for eighteen days and 20 cents per mile for 500 miles were allowed to the delegates from Benton County, and that others were paid at the same rate.

Official orders of Maj. Gen. R. C. Newton, commanding Arkansas State Guard, and of Maj. Gen. Thomas J. Churchill, commanding the State Guard, from May 11, 1874, to June 8, 1874.

Letters of secretary of state, 1873.

Letters of Elisha Baxter in 1873 and of the governor in 1879–80.

Letters sent by Maj. Gen. R. C. Newton, commanding State Militia, and by A. Belding, colonel, from headquarters of Arkansas State Militia, from December 15, 1874, to April 14, 1875.

List of railroad corporations filing preliminary surveys, maps, profiles, 1869–1882.

Indorsement book of Henry Page, disbursing officer, from July 6, 1867, to June 29, 1868, containing an abstract of correspondence, requests, and his indorsements thereon.

Indorsement book of Henry Page from March 8 to September 10, 1867.

Little Rock Republican Club proceedings from August 17, 1867, to February 15, 1868, containing plans of campaign and methods of raising funds.

Records of quartermaster of provisional brigade, Lieut. L. R. Young, with headquarters in Mississippi and Georgia, December 2, 1863–September 11, 1864.

Records of commissioner of public works and internal improvements, May 11, 1869–July 11, 1870, containing letters and official acts of commissioner.

Records, in several volumes, of commissioner of public works and internal improvements, 1871–72, containing account of bond issues for levees and of assessment on property owners benefited by the improvements in the several counties.

Letter book of commissioner of public works and internal improvements, May 6, 1873–March 5, 1874.

Tax book of Crittenden County for payment of interest on levee bonds for building the Memphis and St. Louis Railroad.

Journal, containing itemized list and value of clothing purchased by the central committees of the several counties appointed by the military board of Arkansas in 1861.

Record of board of inspectors of the penitentiary, April 1, 1871–April 27, 1872.

Record of Arkansas railroad bonds signed by governor, September 25, 1871–July 12, 1873.

Record of Arkansas railroad bonds approved by governor, April 10, 1869.

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RECORDS OF ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Orders of William A. E. Tisalal, major commanding the militia of second subdistrict in northeast Arkansas, with headquarters at Jonesboro, 1869.

Roster of Arkansas State Militia, 1869–1872.

Roster of Arkansas State Militia, county organizations of, 1869–70.

Military record, containing list of officers of Arkansas State Militia from several counties, March 4, 1864–February 7, 1877.

Records of the military board of Arkansas, May 21, 1861–June 1, 1865, being volumes 1 and 2 of records of adjutant-general's office.

Abstract of supplies purchased. Volume 3 of records adjutant-general's office.

Records of all orders issued by Flanagin as governor and commander in chief of the militia of Arkansas, July 20, 1863–September 1, 1864. It also contains muster rolls of the Arkansas mounted volunteers of the companies of Capts. E. K. Williamson, R. C. Reeves, A. T. Tettus, G. A. Hale, John W. Dyer, Robert L. Burke, John Connally, James Abraham, W. C. Coocovan, T. G. Henley, and A. D. King, giving name, rank, age, height, color of hair and eyes, occupation, date of enlistment, place of enrollment, remarks, desertion, deaths. Volume 4 of records of adjutant-general's office.

Muster-out rolls and historical memoranda of adjutant-general's office, volume 5. Contains muster rolls of First, Second, Third, and Fourth Cavalry Regiments of Arkansas Volunteers, giving names of all companies, their officers, when and where mustered into service, mustered out; names of all enlisted men, when and where mustered in and out, period of service. The muster rolls are followed in each case by a brief history of each regiment. This record also furnishes the same information about the First, Second, and Fourth Regiments of Arkansas Infantry Volunteers.

Letters of Adjutant-General Bishop, being volume 6 of records adjutant-general's office, date November 21, 1864–June 7, 1867.

Inventory and inspection reports, made to General Steele, June 4, 1864–December 5, 1864. Volume 10, records adjutant-general's office.

Muster rolls of Arkansas Volunteers. Volume 11, records adjutant-general's office.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS.

Evidence taken before a bribery committee in the case of State of Arkansas *v.* Joel Johnson, 1879.

Official correspondence with the Department of War by the governor of Arkansas, June 6, 1825–April 27, 1826, containing valuable letters of the governor of Arkansas to the Secretary of War about Indians, treaties, and boundaries. It contains a letter of Heckatton to the governor.

Copy of the direct tax stub receipt book, No. 4, for Ouachita, Perry, Phillips, Pike, Pope, Poinsett, and Prairie counties.

Warrant book of secretary of state's office, January 31, 1879–August 1, 1882.

Executive letters, January 17–August 21, 1877.

Correspondence of executive office, January 13, 1883–February 19, 1885.

Letters of executive, December 19, 1874–January 6, 1877.

Letter book of attorney-general, November 21, 1876–September 20, 1877.

Union County tax book for 1852.

Warrant stub book of secretary of state, July 30, 1887–November 2, 1888.

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NEWSPAPER FILES IN STATE LIBRARY.

Daily Arkansas Gazette, December 2, 1867–June 30, 1868; July 1, 1869–December 31, 1869; January 1–June 30, 1870; May 1–December 30, 1870; January 1–June 30, 1871; July 1–December 31, 1871; January 3–June 30, 1872.

The Washington Telegraph, January 15, 1862–December 20, 1865, one volume.

MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS.

In that part of the library occupied by the secretary of the penitentiary board are two cases with many pigeonholes. These cases are filled with papers belonging to the secretary of state's office. There are thousands of these papers. In point of time they date from the beginning of the Territorial government down to recent years, and in point of character they bear on every subject-matter with which the office of the secretary of state has to do. These papers are exposed to dust and dampness and are unclassified. To illustrate their scope and importance the following are listed without regard to date or subject-matter:

Original treaty.—Between the United States and the Quapaw Nation, executed November 15, 1824, at Harrington, containing the signature of Robert Crittenden, commissioner for the United States, and a number of Quapaw chiefs, among whom was Saracen.

Protest of sundry citizens of Lawrence County.—Against the removal of the county seat, and addressed to the "Honorable Council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Arkansas."

Miscellaneous.—Estimate by Woodruff on the cost of printing digest of laws in 1823.

Bids for public printing for 1833–1835 by C. P. Bertrand, W. E. Woodruff, Smith & Reed.

Letter of Pelham to Governor John Pope, June 9, 1829, selecting certain lands for the seminary.

Letter of Elias Rector to Governor William Fulton, September 2, 1829, selecting lands for the seminary.

Census returns of 1862, giving the number of whites between certain ages, number of slaves of different ages, free persons of color (none being reported), number of acres of land in cotton, in grain, number of bales of cotton, number of bushels of corn, oats, and wheat.

Papers concerning the Cairo and Fulton Railroad, 1856, containing the company's bond for $1,000,000 to the State of Arkansas.

Report to General Ord in 1867 regarding public printing.

Letter from chairman of Republican central committee at Dardanelle, asking the governor to remove the mayor because he was an unreconstructed Democrat.

Correspondence passed between General Ord and Secretary of State Robert J. T. White in regard to the appointment of sheriffs and other officers by the general.

Order of Governor Flanagin, October 7, 1863, fixing Washington as the capital of the Confederate State government.

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GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

The office of State land commissioner was created in 1869. Prior to that date the auditor's office kept the land records. After the creation of the land office the auditor transferred to it such records as properly belonged to the office. Under the law the commissioner is the land agent of the State. The office deals with all classes of State lands—school, saline, seminary, internal improvement, swamp, forfeited, Real Estate, and State Bank lands.

CLASSES OF RECORDS KEPT BY THE OFFICE.

(*a*) *Township plats.*—The commissioner makes and keeps in his office a plat or map of each township in which there are any unsold lands belonging to any of the above classes.

(*b*) *Sales records.*—As the land agent of the State, the commissioner sells all classes of these lands. A record is kept of all such sales, giving a description of the land sold, the class to which it belongs, to whom sold, the price, etc.

(*c*) *Maps of all lands* subject to homestead under Federal law are kept on file in the office.

(*d*) *Lists of all United States lands* sold by Federal land officers are filed in the State land office.

(*e*) *Field notes and plats.*—This office is the custodian and has on file the original Government field notes of all surveys made in Arkansas, including boundary surveys. The field notes and plats date from 1815.

(*f*) *Deed record.*—When the commissioner sells a tract of land he executes a deed. Under the law he is also authorized to furnish deeds to persons who present proofs of having legally bought and paid for any of the above lands. A record is kept of all such deeds issued by the office.

(*g*) *Redemption record.*—Under the law persons forfeiting lands for failure to pay taxes are allowed a certain time within which to redeem said lands. When redemptions are made, the office keeps a record of the same.

(*h*) *Field notes and plats of boundary surveys.*—For the survey of the Indian boundary lines, the western line of Arkansas 40 miles west of the southwest corner of Missouri, south to the Red River, surveyed by Joseph C. Brown, and for the base line of Arkansas. The following boundary records are now on file in the land office:

1. *Field notes of survey of land ceded by the United States* in 1820 to the Choctaw Nation. Survey made in 1821 by Henry D. Downes, commissioner.

2. *Field notes of Joseph C. Brown*, who surveyed the northern boundary of Arkansas and the western boundary of Missouri in 1823. This is a copy of the original field notes to be found in the office of the secretary of state of Missouri. In making the survey he began at the southwest corner of Missouri at 36:30 and ran east 233 miles to the St. Francis River. Here he stopped and did not resume work until 1824. He then dropped down on the St. Francis River to the thirty-sixth degree and finished the survey.

3. *Louisiana line.*—The southern boundary line was run according to an act of Congress passed May 19, 1828. James S. Conway and William Pelham were appointed by the President for Arkansas, and the State of Louisiana appointed R. A. Crane. The survey was begun November 1, 1830, and was finished in January, 1831. The original field notes and plats of this survey are to be found in Field Book 1830, D.

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4. *Field notes of survey of Cherokee line* from the southwest corner of Missouri to Fort Smith. This survey was begun September 19, 1831, and ended January 28, 1832, John Donelson, jr., being the surveyor. Pages 34 to 52, inclusive, are missing from the field notes of this survey.

5. *Missouri and Arkansas line.*—The original survey by Brown, in 1823, not proving satisfactory, the States of Arkansas and Missouri authorized another survey. Daniel Dunklin was appointed commissioner by Missouri and Davis Thompson was appointed commissioner by Arkansas. These commissioners appointed John Clark, of Arkansas, as third commissioner, and Bazil Gordon, of Missouri, as surveyor. The survey was begun October 17, 1843, and was finished August 10, 1845. The work was interrupted, however, and nothing was done from December 8, 1843, to May 14, 1845. The original field notes and plat of this survey are in the office of the land commissioner.

6. *Field notes of survey of western boundary of Arkansas* between the State and the Choctaw Indian lands. This survey was made by the United States Government in 1877, Henry E. McKee being the surveyor. This survey includes the Choctaw treaty line from the initial point at Fort Smith south to the Red River.

All lines of records seem to be complete and in reasonable state of preservation. The boundary records especially need rebinding. The office is crowded.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

This office was created in 1843. The attorney-general is the legal adviser of the various departments of the State government and is the attorney for the State in all suits. The law requires that the official opinions of the attorney-general shall be preserved in a well-bound book. As a matter of fact, it can scarcely be said that this office has any records. For the most part they have been poorly kept where preserved at all. The State is doubtless partly to blame for the bad condition of this office in its failure to provide proper clerical force and for the publication of the opinions of the attorney-general. A few of the attorneys left letterpress copies of their opinions and of part of their correspondence. The following press copies of opinions and letters were found:

One volume containing opinions of Attorneys-General Hughes and Moore, volume No. 3. Another volume containing opinions of Attorneys-General Kinsworthy, Davis, and Murphy, dating from 1898 to 1902. Another volume containing opinions and correspondence of Colonel Murphy, 1901–2. Another volume containing the opinions and letters of Colonel Murphy, 1902–1904.

In the State library is to be found a letter book of the attorney-general from November 21, 1876, to September 20, 1877.

SUPREME COURT.

The supreme court dates from 1836, and the records appear to be complete and accessible from the admission of the State until the present. The superior court of the Territorial days corresponds to the supreme court since statehood. Many of the records of the superior court are preserved, but they are mixed and in bad condition. Some of them are in Spanish. As the more important criminal and

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civil cases are carried up to the supreme court, its records are of great historical value.

The records of the court are in the office of the clerk of the supreme court. The following classes of records are kept:

Case records.—These contain all pleadings, evidence, proceedings, and final disposition of cases.

Opinion record.—Here is kept a record of all the opinions of the court.

Clerk's appearance docket.—In this is recorded the names of the parties to the case, county from which it comes, and name of judge.

Clerk's court docket.—Here is kept a minute of all steps taken in each case.

Fee record.—In this is recorded all costs in the case.

Enrollment docket.—The names of all the attorneys having the privilege to practice before the supreme court are listed in this record.

Judgment record.—Here is kept an abstract of all judgments rendered by the court.

Execution docket.—Contains abstracts of all executions issued from the supreme court.

Judge's docket.—A minute book wherein the chief justice notes briefly all actions of the court.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

This office was created in 1868. It is not primarily a record office, but there are to be found some important papers in the office. It has been administered well and its records are in good condition. The following is a list of records to be found in this office:

List of all State and professional licenses issued by the State superintendent from the organization of the office.

List of teachers with grade of license held by each. This list is kept just one year.

Annual reports of county examiners.—These reports are the basis for the State superintendent's biennial report. The original reports of examiners are kept for a number of years, and after it is thought there will be no further use for them they are destroyed.

Annual reports of county treasurers.—Gives receipts and expenditures of school funds. These reports are kept five or six years and then destroyed.

Uniform text-book record.—Companies desiring to furnish books under the county uniformity law are required to file with the State superintendent their bids and the form of their contract accompanied by samples of their books. These records and books are kept on file.

List of all books adopted in the several counties voting uniformity is kept on file in the office.

Biennial reports.—These reports are published and are on file since 1872.

School laws.—The superintendent compiles and issues biennial school laws then in force. This set is complete in the office since 1894.

RAILROAD COMMISSION.

This commission was created by an act of the general assembly in 1899. Its records are complete from that date and are as follows:

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSION.

Rate sheets and tariff changes.—Railroads and express companies are required to furnish the commission a schedule of all rates charged by them and notice of all changes in tariffs. These reports are on file in the office.

Annual reports of railroads.—Railroads are required to make annual reports to the commission, and these reports furnish the same information that is required to be furnished to the Interstate Commerce Commission. These reports give the history of the road, names of directors and officers, capital stock, miles of road, leased property, funded debt, cost of roads, equipment, earnings from different sources, gross and net earnings, stocks and bonds, operating expenses, employees and salaries, traffic, including number of passengers, and amount of freight. All of these reports are on file in the office.

Findings of the commission.—The commission sits as a court to hear complaints as to rates and discriminations. The record of its findings are kept. It fixes what it regards as reasonable and just freight, express, and passenger rates, and this schedule is kept on file.

Letter-press copies of all letters sent.—These are carefully kept in the office and files of all letters received are also preserved.

Reports.—The commission is expected periodically to publish reports. The following have been issued: 1899–1900, 1901–2, 1902–3, 1903–4.

The commission is to be commended for the businesslike manner of doing work and keeping records.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF ARKANSAS.

The Owen survey.—Upon the recommendation of Governor Elias Conway, the general assembly in 1857 authorized the first survey. Dr. David Dale Owen, State geologist of Kentucky, was appointed State geologist of Arkansas, and made the survey. The results of his work are embodied in his two reports published, respectively, in 1858 and 1860. The work was in the nature of geological reconnaissance, the first report being devoted to the territory north of the Arkansas River and the second to that south of the river. Copies of this survey are rare. They are to be found in scientific libraries scattered throughout the country.

The reconstruction survey.—The death of Doctor Owen and the civil war put an end to the survey. Efforts were made in 1866 and in 1868 to reestablish the survey, but owing to unsettled conditions they failed. In 1871 the general assembly authorized a second survey, and Governor Hadley appointed W. F. Roberts, of Pennsylvania, State geologist. Mr. Roberts did but little, and added nothing to the information contained in the reports of Doctor Owen. His reports, if he ever prepared any, were never filed with the secretary of state, nor were they ever published. In the Age of Steel at St. Louis appeared some papers on the subject by Mr. Roberts in 1887–88. His assistant, Dr. George Haddock, published a pamphlet of 60 pages. The general assembly in 1873 made an additional appropriation of $15,000 for the survey. In 1874 three geologists were successively appointed, George Haddock, William C. Haceldime, and Arnold Syberg, the first two being removed. Nothing was done by any one of the three men.

The Branner survey.—The most important survey was the last, which was made by Professor Branner. In 1887 this survey was authorized, and by succeeding legislatures was continued down to 1893. Professor Branner was, at the time of his appointment, professor of geology at the University of Indiana, and since the survey he has held the same position in Stanford University. He was at first assisted by two and later by four assistants. The results of his

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survey are embodied in fourteen volumes published by the State and in three unpublished volumes. The former can be had from the secretary of state. Three unpublished volumes treat of coal, coal measures, and clays. The one on clays will soon appear among the publications of the United States Geological Survey. The manuscript for these unpublished volumes is in the hands of Professor Branner at Stanford University.

County Offices.

In the preparation of this part of the chapter the author conducted an extensive correspondence with county clerks and others prepared to furnish information. The matter below is largely a tabulation of the facts brought out by this correspondence.

ARKANSAS COUNTY.[a]

On Monday, December 6, 1813, the second session of the first Territorial legislature of Missouri convened in St. Louis. At this session the county of Arkansas was created by an act thereof dated December 31, 1813.

Outline history.

The first appearance of Europeans in Arkansas County was the landing of De Soto and his men in May, 1541, opposite the present site of Memphis.

De Soto died and was buried at Helena in 1542, and it was here that his successor, Moscoso, was appointed. This opinion as to location is based on the description given by Irving in his Conquest of Florida, by the Gentleman of Elvas, and by De Biedma, and upon a full personal knowledge of the topography of the country. In July, 1673, Marquette and Joliet visited the mouth of the Arkansas River. (See Marquette and Joliet's account in French's Historical Collections.)

March 12, 1682, La Salle and De Tonti, with twenty-two Frenchmen and eighteen savages, reached the mouth of the Arkansas River. Here La Salle took formal possession of the territory in the name of the King of France and erected a cross bearing the arms of his country—the first formal declaration of sovereignty over Louisiana. (See French's Historical Collections and Parkman's Discovery in the Great West.)

In the spring of 1686 the first settlement by white men made in Louisiana was at Arkansas post, on the north bank of the Arkansas River, by Frenchmen to whom De Tonti granted the privilege under a grant to him from La Salle. De Tonti, "by deed dated November 26, 1689, gave to Father Dablon, then superior of the Canadian mission, a strip on the Arkansas River, a little east of his fort, of about 8 acres for a chapel and mission house * * *." (See Memoirs of De Tonti.)

A settlement of Germans and negroes was made in 1718 near the post through the efforts of John Law. In 1751 M. Bossu, a French captain of marines, visited Arkansas post, and in his report to his Government says of Law's colony: "It was 4 leagues square and the colony was erected into a duchy." (See Bossu's Travels through Louisiana, Volume 1.)

The District of Arkansas was established for civil and military purposes in 1722, a judge and commandant being appointed to reside at the post. (See Le Harpe.)

[a] Judge Halliburton, of De Witt, furnishes the information for this county.

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Du Poisson, after a voyage full of discomforts, of which he has given a most graphic description, reached the Arkansas post on July 7, 1727. (See Catholic Missions by John G. Shea.)

December 20, 1803, Louisiana was formally transferred to the United States. The transfer of the interior posts was made later, that of Arkansas post being made to Maj. J. B. Maury in the spring of 1804, at which time civil and military authority of the United States began in Arkansas County.

In 1806 the legislature of Louisiana Territory established the District of Arkansas, separating it from New Madrid, and established a general court to sit twice a year, at St. Louis, in May and October. It seems, however, the division was not made nor the court established until 1808. The first term of probate court was held by John W. Honey, December 12, 1808. The first term of circuit court was held at Arkansas post November 1, 1819. The first Territorial legislature of Arkansas met at the post July 28, 1819.

Public records.

The records of Arkansas County are rich and are well preserved. The first record at the post after the purchase was made by Maj. James B. Maury, of the United States Army, June 5, 1804. This record was continued by military authority until September 12, 1805, the instruments recorded in this book being, as a rule, without acknowledgment. This record is in good condition.

The second record is styled "Record A," and was for the registration of all instruments duly acknowledged under the civil law, the first entry being October 9, 1808. This record continues to August, 1814. There seems to be no break in this line of records from this time to the present. The first civil court record was that of the probate court held by John W. Honey, December 12, 1808. This book contains the proceedings up to June 20, 1814. The probate records seem to be complete from that time.

The first circuit court record bears date of December 12, 1819, the time of holding the first circuit court in the county after the organization of Territorial government in Arkansas, and is doubtless the first ever held in the county, as it will be remembered that the Louisiana legislature, in June, 1806, passed an act creating "A general court for the Arkansas District to sit twice a year, in St. Louis in May and October." There seems to be no break in the circuit court records down to the present.

In the official catalogue of exhibit department of anthropology at the St. Louis fair, on page 61, is the following statement: "Arkansas Post Records: All that remain of the records of Arkansas post; the other records were destroyed during the civil war and the ones below were lost for about forty years." The books referred to as "below" are the ones mentioned above. How such an idea got current or from whom obtained the author can not say, but the statement is not true. The author has been familiar with the records of Arkansas County as an attorney since 1847, and has no recollection of any of the records ever having been lost or destroyed.

The records of the county were removed from Arkansas post to De Witt in September, 1855. "Record A" and the circuit court record named above are bound, but are in poor condition. The probate records referred to above were never bound, being made up of several quires of paper bound together with cord. The writing, however, is legible. They are kept in fireproof vaults at the court-house.

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BAXTER COUNTY.

Baxter County was formed in 1873, out of territories taken from Izard, Fulton, Marion, and Searcy counties. Almost all records are complete from 1873. Records prior to that date were destroyed by the burning of the court-houses of Izard, Fulton, and Marion counties. The court-house of Baxter County was destroyed by fire February 24, 1890; the court records, five deed records, and all marriage records except one were saved. All records not totally destroyed have been transcribed and rebound. What records exist are in good condition and are kept in a fireproof vault.

BENTON COUNTY.

This county was created September 30, 1830, out of territory taken from Washington County, and was named after Hon. Thomas H. Benton, of Missouri. The first will and probate record is dated April 17, 1837, and this class of records is complete from that time. All deed and county records are complete. The records are kept in a fireproof vault.

BOONE COUNTY.

Territory was taken from Carroll County in 1869 to form Boone County. The records are complete from the formation of the county, but are not kept in fireproof vaults.

CALHOUN COUNTY.

This county was organized in 1852 and was made up of territory taken from Union, Dallas, and Ouachita Counties. The records are complete from the formation of the county, but at present are kept in the court-house, a frame building.

CARROLL COUNTY.

This county was created November 30, 1833, out of territory drawn from Izard County. The records of this county were entirely destroyed by fire in December, 1869; they are complete, however, from March 14, 1870, to the present, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

CHICOT COUNTY.

Chicot County was established October 25, 1823, and was drawn from Arkansas County. The records are complete from 1824, though they are not kept in a fireproof vault.

CLARK COUNTY.

This county was formed December 15, 1818, by an act of the Territory of Missouri out of the territory of Arkansas County and was named after Governor William Clark of Missouri. The records are complete from its organization and are kept in a fireproof vault at the court-house.

CLAY COUNTY.

Clay County was formed March 24, 1873, out of territories taken from Randolph and Greene Counties and was named after Senator Powell Clayton. The will and deed records begin in April, 1881, and are completed to date except deed record E from March 1, 1891, to January 31, 1892. This record was burned. The following records are missing: Book E, named above, the

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entire records of Clayton County, and the records of Clay County from December, 1875, date of change of name from Clayton to Clay, to February 29, 1893. The latter records were burned at Piggott, when the court-house was destroyed by fire. The records are kept in a fireproof vault.

CLEBURNE COUNTY.

This county was formed by act of the general assembly in 1883 out of territory taken from Van Buren, Independence, and White Counties. Its records are complete since organization and are kept in a fireproof vault at the court-house.

CLEVELAND COUNTY.

Cleveland County was created April 17, 1873, out of territories drawn from Jefferson, Dallas, Bradley, and Lincoln counties. It was first named after Stephen W. Dorsey, but in 1885 the legislature changed the name in honor of President Cleveland. The records are incomplete, and some are not in good condition. Several tax books, one marriage record, and one or more court records are missing.

COLUMBIA COUNTY.

This county was formed of portions of Ouachita and Lafayette counties on December 17, 1852. The records are complete from the organization of the county, and are in good condition. The new court-house, now under construction, will have fireproof vaults for the preservation of the records.

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY.

Craighead was formed out of Greene, Poinsett, and Mississippi counties February 19, 1859. The temporary seat of justice was at a private residence in Greenfield Township. The commissioners appointed to select the county seat designated Jonesboro. The county was named after Senator Thomas B. Craighead, of Mississippi County. Records prior to its formation are to be found at Paragould, Harrisburg, Osceola, and Powhatan, the latter being mentioned because Lawrence County is the mother of all counties in northeast Arkansas. All records were destroyed by fire in 1869 and again in 1878. The records are therefore incomplete. Since 1886 the records have been kept in a fireproof vault, and no records have been injured or lost since March 28, 1878.

CRAWFORD COUNTY.

This county was created by an act of the Territorial legislature October 18, 1820, and was drawn from Pulaski County. In 1828 the Osage and Cherokee country was added to the county. The boundaries were frequently changed down to 1851, since which time there have been comparatively few alterations. It was named in honor of William H. Crawford, President Monroe's Secretary of the Treasury. The records from 1818 to 1820 are on file at Little Rock. On March 23, 1877, the court-house was destroyed by fire and all records were destroyed except those of the treasurer and a few deeds and mortgages. Since that date, however, the records are complete and are kept in fireproof vaults.

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CRITTENDEN COUNTY.

Crittenden was formed October 22, 1825, out of territory taken from Phillips County. It was named in honor of our first territorial secretary, Robert Crittenden. The boundary of the county has been frequently changed by detaching territory for new counties. The records of this county are intact except that during the reconstruction period a few pages of the deed records and of the chancery court records were mutilated, and the tax books for the year 1878 are missing. There are deed records much older than the county, and the original deed records, A and B, are now hardly legible. Many of these early deeds are in Spanish. The records are in good state of preservation with the exceptions named above. The records have been kept in an old brick building, standing apart from the court-house, but there is now being constructed a modern fireproof vault for them.

CROSS COUNTY.

Out of territories drawn from Poinsett, St. Francis, and Crittenden counties the Confederate legislature, November 15, 1862, formed this county and named in honor of Judge Edward Cross. The records are complete from 1862 to the present, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

DALLAS COUNTY.

Dallas County was formed in 1845 out of territory belonging to Clark County, and the records up to that time will be found at Arkadelphia. At different times territory has been taken from this county to form others. Records are complete from the formation of the county except a few tax books which are torn and faded. They are kept in fireproof vaults.

DREW COUNTY.

This county was created November 27, 1846, out of territory taken from Bradley County and was named after Governor Drew. The records have been well preserved and are complete from the formation of the county. They are kept in fireproof vaults.

FAULKNER COUNTY.

This county was formed in 1873, and its records are complete from and including that year. The court-house was burned, but a fireproof vault saved the records.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

This county was organized December 13, 1837, out of a part of Crawford County. The first county seat was at Whitsontown, located on Big Mulberry Creek, about 5 miles northwest of the town of Mulberry. It was changed to Ozark in 1839. The general assembly in June, 1885, established two districts for holding court, viz, the Ozark district, embracing the northern part of the county, and the Charleston district, embracing the part of the county south of the river. In 1905 the Ozark district erected a court-house costing $60,000 while the court-house at Charleston is built of native stone. The records of the county, common pleas, probate, and circuit courts, are complete from the date of the first court in 1839. The deed and mortgage records are incomplete; the court-house was burned in 1863, but G. H. Ross, the clerk, saved from the fire all except the deed records. Since that date the deed records are complete. The records of the Charleston district are complete from 1891, they having been burned in that year. For the most part, however, they have been rewritten.

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GARLAND COUNTY.

Garland County was created under an act of the legislature approved April 5, 1873. It was formed out of Hot Spring, Saline, and Montgomery counties. By act of legislature of 1897 this county was compelled to pay equitable apportionment of debt of Hot Spring County. (See Garland County *v.* Hot Spring County, 68 Arkansas, p. 83.) No records from parent counties have been transcribed. With respect to the records, Charles D. Greaves writes: "They were complete until February 25, 1905, when fire and heat charred, damaged, or destroyed everything except tax books of 1904 then in the hands of the collector. The deed and mortgage records, except two, have been recopied or reproduced as they were left after the fire, edges being badly burned and only portions legible. As records will have considerable value, these consist of books designated by alphabet (26) and about 39 by number, 1 to 39. Circuit court records were totally destroyed, 10 books; chancery records practically destroyed. Book I has been recopied, 8 (A to H) being burned. Probate records all except last one destroyed; so also the county court records, the marriage license records were partially destroyed, one will record burned, one partially restored, mechanic's lien judgment record destroyed, probate docket partially restored, pending cases in chancery court partially saved, all law and probate papers destroyed. The county never had vaults. New court-house just completed at cost of over $175,000, including furniture, has complete set of vaults."

GRANT COUNTY.

This county was formed February 4, 1869, and was taken from Saline, Hot Spring, and Jefferson counties. It was named in honor of General Grant. All the records from the formation of the county to March 14, 1877, were destroyed by fire. The records since that date are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

GREENE COUNTY.

Greene County was formed out of Lawrence County November 5, 1833. This county has since then furnished territory in part for Poinsett, Craighead and Clay counties. All the records of the county were totally destroyed by fire March 13, 1876. Since that date the records are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

HEMPSTEAD COUNTY.

This county was formed December 15, 1818, out of territory of Arkansas County. This was by act of the Territorial legislature of Missouri, and the county was named after Edward Hempstead. The circuit court records are complete from March 15, 1824; deed records are complete since October 9, 1820. The records prior to these dates have been lost through carelessness of officials. The first record of county court bears date 1837. The records are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

HOT SPRING COUNTY.

This county was formed from territory taken from Clark County November 2, 1829. The territory of the county was reduced in 1873 by the formation of Garland County. The records are complete from the formation of the county, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

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HOWARD COUNTY.

In 1873 Howard County was formed out of territory embraced in the counties of Polk, Pike, Sevier, and Hempstead. Records prior to this date are to be found at the county seats of these respective counties. Since the formation of the county the records are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

INDEPENDENCE COUNTY.

This county was created by act of the territorial legislature October 20, 1820. (See p. 140 of Steele and Campbell's Digest of Territorial Statutes.) The county was formed from territory taken from Lawrence. The following records are complete from the dates named: Records of common pleas court, first held by two justices of the peace, began November 19, 1821; records of deeds and mortgages begin with December 14, 1820; all court records and records of the recorder's office are complete from these dates. No records are missing. The state of preservation is good; a number of the records have been rebound, but the writing is legible. They are kept in fireproof vaults.

IZARD COUNTY.

This county was formed October 27, 1825, out of Independence county, and was named after Governor Izard. April 11, 1869, the court-house with all records was destroyed by fire. Since that time the records are complete, and are kept in an office built of stone.

JACKSON COUNTY.

Jackson county was formed November 5, 1829, out of territory of Independence County. The records have never been destroyed; they are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

JOHNSON COUNTY.

This county was formed November 15, 1833, and was taken from Pope County. It was named after Judge Benjamin Johnson. The records are complete from 1838 to the present, are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

LAFAYETTE COUNTY.

This county was created in 1827. No misfortune has ever befallen the records. They are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

LEE COUNTY.

This county was created in 1873. No records are missing; they are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

Lincoln County was formed by act of legislature in 1871, and all records from that time are complete.

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY.

This county was formed in 1867. Prior to the formation of the county the records of Sevier County are the records of the territory embraced in Little River. The following records are missing: County court record from 1867 to January, 1876, destroyed by fire in 1882; marriage record from 1867 to December, 1880, cause of destruction unknown; real-estate tax books from 1867 to 1882, destroyed by fire in 1882. Otherwise the records are complete. The records are now kept in a temporary court-house, an unsafe frame building.

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LOGAN COUNTY.

This county was formed in 1873 from Franklin, Johnson, Yell, and Scott counties, and was named Sarber. The name was changed in 1874. Some territory was added from Scott County in 1900. All records from the formation of the county to 1878 were destroyed by fire; since that time the records are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

MADISON COUNTY.

This county was formed in 1836 out of territory taken from Carroll County. Probate court records are complete from 1860; county court records are complete from 1873; will records, complete from 1880; deed records, complete from 1843. A fire in 1902 destroyed deed record A and all will records except those recorded on court records. The records are kept in a fireproof vault.

MARION COUNTY.

This county was formed November 3, 1835, out of Izard, Boone, Baxter, and Searcy counties. Records are complete to the present from 1837, at which time a fire destroyed all records except one deed record. Fireproof vaults protect the records.

MILLER COUNTY.

There have been two counties in Arkansas named Miller. The first formed after the Territory was created was thus named; date April 1, 1820. It was named for Governor Miller, the first Territorial executive. It was taken from Hempstead County, and embraced nearly all of south Arkansas and a large portion of northeast Texas. It was abolished in 1836. The present Miller County was formed December 22, 1874, out of part of Lafayette County, and was named after our two governors of that name. The records are complete from the formation of the county in 1874. Some of the records of the first Miller County are to be found at the county sites of Lafayette and Hempstead. Records are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

MONROE COUNTY.

This county was formed out of territory taken from Phillips and Arkansas by act of November 22, 1829. It was named after President Monroe. The records are complete since 1894, when prior records were destroyed by fire. The records are not kept in fireproof vaults.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

This county was created December 9, 1842, out of territory from Hot Spring County. It was not organized until 1844. The first court-house was a log cabin; it is now used as a barn. The county seat was first named Montgomery; in July, 1850, the name was changed to Salem, and in October of the same year it was named Mount Ida.

The county court records date from July, 1845. The tax books for the year 1845 consist of ten sheets of foolscap paper sewn together. The number of taxpayers was 205, the number of taxable polls was 190, and the amount of taxable property was $42,889. The records are complete from the organization of the county to the present.

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NEVADA COUNTY.

The county was created by act of the general assembly March 20, 1871, from parts of Columbia, Hempstead, and Ouachita counties. The county seat was fixed at Mount Moriah; later in the same year it was located at Rosston. In 1877 it was located at Prescott. The records are complete from the organization of the county. For the records prior to its formation, see the records of parent counties. For want of adequate vault space the records are only in a fair state of preservation. Contract for repairing vault and for metallic furniture for it has recently been let.

NEWTON COUNTY.

December 14, 1842, this county was created out of territory from Carroll, and was named after Thomas W. Newton. In 1866 all records were destroyed by fire. Since that time, however, they are complete and are kept in fireproof vaults.

OUACHITA COUNTY.

This county was created November 29, 1844, from territory drawn from Union, and was named from its largest stream. December 19, 1875, all records were destroyed by fire; from that date to the present they are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

PERRY COUNTY.

Perry County was formed December 18, 1840, from Conway County, and was named after Commodore Perry. In 1874 a fire destroyed court-house and records, and again in December, 1881. One small chancery record was saved. The records are complete from 1881 and are kept in a fireproof vault.

PHILLIPS COUNTY.

Phillips County was created by the territorial legislature May 1, 1820, and was taken from Arkansas County. The first records of Phillips County seem to have been kept in Helena. The first deed on record was recorded October 13, 1820. The land surveyed is near Helena, but is described as being in Arkansas County. The first deed in which the land is conveyed as being in Phillips County is recorded November 19, 1820. The first probate record bears the date of January 17, 1821; the first order of the court of common pleas was made January 15, 1821. From these dates the records seem to be complete. Some few of the records have been slightly damaged by being moth-eaten, but have been recopied. The records were removed during the war, but were afterwards returned in good condition. During the time they were gone a record was kept in a volume known as "Irregular D." No misfortune has ever befallen our records, and they are kept in a fireproof vault.

POINSETT COUNTY.

The county was created in 1838, and has contributed territory to make Cross and Craighead counties. The first county seat was at Bolivar, 3 miles north of the present county seat. Harrisburg was made the county seat in 1857. All records were burned in the court-house September, 1873, The records appear to be complete since 1873.

POLK COUNTY.

This county was created November 30, 1844, and was taken from Sevier County. All records prior to 1883 were destroyed by fire, except one probate record dating from September, 1876; one county court record dating from July 1876, and one circuit court record dating from February, 1877. All records are complete from 1883 and are kept in fireproof vaults.

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POPE COUNTY.

This county was created out of territory taken from Crawford November 2, 1829. The records are complete from the organization of the county until the present and are in a fairly good state of preservation. They are kept in fireproof vaults.

PRAIRIE COUNTY.

The county was organized in 1846. The records were destroyed by fire at Brownsville, now in Lonoke County, in 1853. They are complete, however, from 1855. The records are kept in fireproof vaults.

PULASKI COUNTY.

This county was created by act of the Territorial legislature of Missouri on December 15, 1818, and was named after Count Pulaski. All records are complete from May 24, 1819, to the present, and are in excellent state of preservation. They are kept in fireproof vaults.

RANDOLPH COUNTY.

This county was formed from a part of Lawrence in 1836. All the records are complete from the formation of the county to the present, and are in fireproof vaults at the court-house.

SALINE COUNTY.

This county was created November 2, 1835, from the western portion of Pulaski County. The records are in a good state of preservation, are complete, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

SCOTT COUNTY.

This county was created November 5, 1883, and was drawn from the territory of Crawford and Pope. It was named in honor of Judge Andrew Scott. The records are complete since the formation of the county, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

SEBASTIAN COUNTY.

This county was created January 5, 1851, from territory taken from Crawford, Scott, and Polk counties, and was named after Senator Sebastian. The county is divided into two judicial districts, the Greenwood and Fort Smith; this was by provision of the constitution of 1874, being the only county in the State that has constitutional districts. These districts for all judicial purposes are separate counties with separate and distinct tax rates. The court-house in the Greenwood district was destroyed by fire in 1881 and again in 1882, but few records being saved. All records since 1882 are in good condition, and those prior to that date have been recopied as far as possible. The records are kept in fireproof vaults at the respective county seats, Greenwood and Fort Smith.

SEARCY COUNTY.

December 13, 1838, the legislature created this county out of territory drawn from Marion, and named it in honor of Richard Searcy. The court-house and records were destroyed by fire in January, 1864. There was a partial destruction of records by fire in March, 1877, and again by fire in August, 1885. All records prior to 1881 are missing except deed record A, one chancery court record, one probate court record, and one circuit court record. Fireproof vaults protect the records, and they are in good condition.

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SHARP COUNTY.

The organization of Sharp County was by an act of the general assembly approved July 16, 1868. It was named after E. Sharp, one of the representatives in the assembly from this part of the county. The territory was nearly all taken from Lawrence County. March, 1873, a small section from Independence was added to the county. All of the records were destroyed by fire January 20, 1880. The records since that date are complete, in good state of preservation, and are kept in a fireproof vault made of stone at Evening Shade and in a fireproof iron safe in a stone court-house at Hardy.

ST. FRANCIS COUNTY.

This county was created by act of legislature October 13, 1827, out of territory drawn from Phillips County, and was named after its greatest river. A fire in the latter part of 1874 destroyed many of the court records, but many of the deed records were only partially burned. They have since been recopied as far as posible. All the records were destroyed by fire during the war. They are therefore complete since 1874 and almost complete since 1865.

STONE COUNTY.

This county was formed out of Izard, Independence, Van Buren, and Searcy counties April 30, 1873. Records A, B, C, D, and E of deeds and mortgages are complete; A, B, and C of deeds only are complete; A and B of mortgages only are complete; A, B, C, and D of county court records are complete; A and B of probate court, A and B of circuit court, and A of chancery court are nearly complete; A of marriage records is complete. No records are missing. All records are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof safe.

UNION COUNTY.

November 2, 1829, out of territory taken from Hempstead and Clark counties, Union was formed. All records except tax books are complete from 1830 to the present; tax books are complete from 1868. The new government coming into power at the last-named date destroyed the tax books. Records are in excellent state of preservation, and are kept in fireproof vaults at the court-house.

VAN BUREN COUNTY.

This county was formed of territory taken from Pope and Searcy counties November 11, 1833. It contributed some 300 square miles to Cleburne County in 1883. Nearly all county records were destroyed by fire in 1863. A few of the old books were hidden by the clerk in a cliff and were thus saved. Records are complete since 1863, and are in a fair state of preservation. There are no fireproof vaults for protection.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

This county was created by an act of the legislature October 17, 1828, and was made to take the place of Lovely County. County court records are complete from August 3, 1835; probate records, from October 9, 1837; marriage records, from 1845, except the record of the period between 1861 and 1864. Probate and will records A and B were stolen. During the war Presley R. Smith, clerk, hid the county records in a dry cave in the mountains south of Fayetteville to prevent their falling into the hands of the Federals. Only one record was thus lost. The records are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

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WHITE COUNTY.

Was formed in 1835 from the counties of Pulaski and Independence. The records of the county date from the year 1836 to the present, and are in a good state of preservation. They are in a fireproof vault at the court-house. They are complete from 1836. None are missing.

WOODRUFF COUNTY.

Was created November 26, 1862, out of territory taken from Jackson and St. Francis counties, and was named in honor of William E. Woodruff, sr. The records are complete since the organization of the county.

YELL COUNTY.

Was carved out of Scott and Polk counties in 1840, and was named after Governor Yell. All records are complete since 1865. In addition, for the period prior to 1865, the county has the probate records from May 7, 1858, to February 10, 1862; the marriage record from July 23, 1841, to March 24, 1849, and the deed records from March 2, 1841, to December 4, 1848. The missing records were destroyed by fire during the war. The records are in good condition, and are kept in fireproof vaults.

Municipal Offices.

Bryce says that the government of our cities is the worst in the American system of government. If carelessness in keeping our public records is an index to government, Arkansas cities are poorly governed. Blanks calling for information about city records were sent to all cities and towns of importance. These communications were repeated many times. The information herein given is all that could be obtained.

HOT SPRINGS.

The town of Hot Springs was incorporated April 5, 1876. It was declared a city of the second class September 1 of the same year, and on March 13, 1879, it was made a city of the first class.

All city records are complete, except that from 1901 to 1903 the records were not kept accurately, due to the failure of the clerk to discharge his duties. The records have never been injured in any way and are in good condition.

FORT SMITH.

Fort Smith derived its name from a military post established at what had been called Belle Point by the early French settlers. The site of the post or fort was chosen by Maj. Stephen Long (of Pike and Long's exploring expedition) in November, 1817. The post was named for Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Smith. Its first commander was Maj. William Bradford, who remained in charge until February, 1822, when he was succeeded by Col. Matthew Arbuckle of the Seventh Infantry. Major Bradford's command consisted of Company A, rifle regiment, recruited largely from frontiersmen who had fought with General Jackson at New Orleans.

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The town was incorporated under State law in December, 1842. The first mayor was George Herd, and the five aldermen were called trustees. The general assembly in 1853 granted another charter to the city; but as it proved too drastic, it was set aside by the courts, and another was granted December 19, 1854.

Records.—The records are incomplete. There is an old book giving some ordinances passed during the fifties. There seems to be extant no record of the proceedings of the council prior to the war. The police court records are in fair state of preservation since 1853, except from November, 1862, to 1864. The Yankees being in town after September 1, 1863, doubtless explains this break in the records. There are records giving the names of all the mayors, recorders, and aldermen since 1853, except the mayor for 1862 and the council for 1863. The mayor during the war period changed frequently, owing to the proximity of the Federals. The records of the recorder's office were burned or destroyed about 1865. The records of the meeting of the city council and the register of ordinances are complete and in good condition from 1866 to the present. In fact, about all of the records are complete since that date.

LITTLE ROCK.

The "City of Roses" was incorporated by act of the legislature in the year 1831, and the town council was first organized January 15, 1832. An act of the general assembly passed March 9, 1875, declared it a city of the first class, and the city council met and organized the new government April 12, 1875. The estimated population of the city now is 55,000.

Records.—The city clerk, F. M. Oliver, writes that the following records were on file in his office and that they are in fairly good condition:

Records of the proceedings of the city council from November, 1869.
Record of city ordinances from November, 1869.
Death records from April 1, 1871.
Birth records from January, 1902.
Record of proceedings of board of public affairs from January, 1890.

BATESVILLE.

The town of Batesville was laid off and platted March 23, 1822. The deed of covenant stipulated "that no tax shall be levied until the population of the town exceeds forty." It was therefore quite small. The town was incorporated January 5, 1841, by order of the county court, but was dissolved January 10, 1845. It was reincorporated by act of the legislature December 20, 1848, which act was later amended in 1851 and 1857. December 24, 1892, the town was raised to a city of the second class. As an improvement district, the city owns its waterworks and electric-light plant, taking water from the White River.

Records.—The records of the town were destroyed by fire January 16, 1890; since that time they are complete and in the possession of the city recorder.

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QUITMAN.

This town was incorporated in 1881.

Records.—The minutes of the council are complete from the organization of the town.

Mayor's docket is complete from June 30, 1898.

Record of ordinances and by-laws are preserved from the organization of the town in 1881.

Records of the treasurer's office have been lost or burned except for the last three years.

The mayor's docket from 1881 to 1898 was burned.

PARIS.

This town was laid off in 1874 when the plot of ground was selected as the county site. The records of the town are in good condition from the first council, in 1878.

FAYETTEVILLE.

This town was incorporated at the January term of the Washington County court in 1841, under the title of "The aldermen and town council of the town of Fayetteville." Pleasant V. Rhea was first mayor. It was made a city of the second class November 15, 1883, and was declared a city of the first class in June, 1905.

Records.—The record of the proceedings of the city council is complete since 1896.

The script register is complete for the same period.

The license register is complete from 1902.

The record of ordinances exists from 1889 to the present.

MALVERN.

Malvern began its town life in 1872 and was soon made an incorporated town. In 1905 it was declared a city of the second class. All records were destroyed by fire in 1896. They are complete since that time and include register of warrants, ordinances, mayor's docket, and minutes of the city council.

MONTICELLO.

The records of the city are kept by the clerk. They are in two volumes and date from 1873. Prior to that date the records were poorly kept and have for the most part been destroyed.

SEARCY.

This town was laid out some time between 1836 and 1840. Ten acres of land were donated by James Walker for a county seat. The court-house is situated near the center of the 10-acre tract and lots

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around it are still described as lying within the "10-acre donation." The town was named for Judge Richard Searcy, one of the Territorial judges of Arkansas. It was incorporated by act of legislature about 1854.

All records of the town are preserved in the mayor's office, and for the most part are in a good state of preservation. They include mayor's dockets, council proceedings, and ordinances. The latter have been digested from time to time and printed copies are in the mayor's office. The records date from about 1868 to the present. Some few have been lost.

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PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF CONNECTICUT.

COUNTY, PROBATE, AND LOCAL RECORDS.

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INTRODUCTION.

During the past three years the compiler of this report has had occasion to examine a large number of the public archives of the State of Connecticut, particularly those relating to the period prior to the Revolutionary War. In connection with this work many experiences and some difficulties have been met, an account of which might be of help to future investigators. As this report is confined to the town and county records, a few words as to the general scope and condition of these records might be acceptable.

The county records are largely judicial in character, including the records of the county, superior, and supreme courts. There are also some miscellaneous county records kept in the offices of the county clerks, which are of more general historical interest. Such are the records of the county commissioners, naturalization records, and some military records. The records in most of the counties are very accessible and, with the exception of those of Windham County, are remarkably well preserved and complete.

With the town records greater variety in character and condition appears. Some of the old towns kept very complete records, while in others the extant records are meager. First, perhaps, in historical importance are the records generally called "Town Proceedings." These records include the minutes of the town meetings. In some of the older towns the records of town meetings were entered in the same

[a] In the preparation of this report the work of the compiler has been greatly lessened through the kindness and aid of Mr. Charles R. Hathaway, the examiner of public records of Connecticut. He has permitted the reprinting of a large part of his report to the State legislature for the year 1904. Using this as the basis for the present report, the compiler has simply verified and amplified the same wherever necessary. Credit is also due to Mr. Albert C. Bates, librarian of the Connecticut Historical Society, for his excellent list of the probate districts of the State. Thanks are due to the various State and local officers, who have generously responded to inquires in regard to the records.

For previous report on the archives of Connecticut, see American Historical Association Report, 1900, II, pp. 26–38.

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book with the land records or vice versa. Next in importance and greater in extent are the land records. The title sufficiently explains the contents of these records. With the land records should be joined the proprietors' records, a study of which is essential to understanding the system of proprietary holding of lands in the Connecticut towns, especially during the eighteenth century. The vital statistics, as will appear in the appended table, are very incomplete prior to 1850, when a statute was passed requiring greater care in their preservation. Since that date the records are more accurate and complete.

An important class of local records not generally found in the town clerk's office are the ecclesiastical records. These are generally in the possession of the church authorities. These records are of peculiar interest in Connecticut because of the intimate connection of church and state during the colonial period.

The rest of the local records are miscellaneous in character, including such subjects as selectmen's records, school society, burial records, joint-stock companies, tax records, lists of electors, etc.

The probate records are on the whole complete. A difficulty is encountered in consulting these records through the fact that there is no uniform method of filing and recording papers.

In the condition of the local records the towns vary greatly. In some of the towns the oldest records are remarkably well preserved, while in others the condition is far less favorable. In nearly all cases, however, the town clerks show an appreciation of the value of the old records and are endeavoring to prevent their further decay. Some towns have restored their oldest and worst worn records by the excellent Emery silk process, while others have had the old records copied, though not always with due care. These efforts to preserve the old records are due largely to the work of Mr. Charles R. Hathaway, the examiner of public records, who has required that all of the towns keep their records in fireproof vaults or safes.

One particular difficulty that was met in consulting all of the local records was the lack of an adequate system of indexes. Seldom were any but the land records and vital statistics indexed, and these were generally unsatisfactory. This subject has been touched upon by the examiner in his report to the legislature, and it is to be hoped that steps will be taken to correct this defect.

In the preparation of the report upon the court records of Hartford, New Haven, New London, Windham, and Fairfield counties the compiler has used a report made by Mr. Sherman W. Adams in 1889, which has been verified personally or by the county clerk. For the report on the records of Middlesex, Tolland, and Litchfield counties the compiler alone is responsible. The report on the probate records has been reprinted without change from the report of Mr. Hathaway to the State legislature in 1904. In the report on the local records

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dependence has also been placed upon Mr. Hathaway's report, but a large number of changes have been made as the result of visits by the compiler to a considerable number of towns, and also through correspondence with the local officials.

Especial thanks are due to Mr. Hathaway for his kindness in allowing portions of his report to be reprinted, to Mr. Albert C. Bates, librarian of the Connecticut Historical Society, for his excellent list of probate districts, and to the many State and local officials who have been uniformly courteous in aiding the compiler.

County Records.

HARTFORD COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

The oldest volume of records at the county clerk's office in the court-house is a parchment-bound book labeled "Book G, No. 7." On the inside of the cover is written "This is the Seventh Book of the Records of the Acts of the County Courts in the County of Hartford in the Colony of Connecticut in New England." It is the first volume in which the acts of the county courts are recorded apart from those of the probate court. It is not an original. On a waste leaf is written "This Book of the County Court Records, written in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fourty by Benja. Dod." It contains records of inferior courts and pleas, or county court, from March 4, 1706–7, to November, 1717, 536 pages, with 4 unnumbered, and in the reverse about 43 leaves of executions.

A volume, which was probably Vol. VIII, April, 1718, to June, 1719, is here missing. It was sold in New York, March, 1879, as part of the Brinley Library, and is now in the Watkinson Library, Hartford. With it was the record of the court for the trial of small causes, June, 1727, to May, 1731, and of chancery cases, May to August, 1736, growing out of the repeal of the charter of the New London Society, united for trade and commerce.

Book H. This volume, which would be the ninth, is parchment bound, unpaged, but has about 150 leaves; some are gone from the back part. It covers the period from November, 1719, to March, 1721–22.

Book I. Parchment bound, containing 500 or 600 unnumbered pages, covering from April, 1722, to November, 1725. A few executions are entered in the front and back parts of the volume.

Book J. Parchment cover. Has about 500 unnumbered pages. The first 11 leaves contain executions; then come court records, February, 1725–26, to November, 1727. In some terms the cases are numbered, and in some the record of the term is preceded by an alphabet. In the reverse are 9 leaves of executions, etc.

Book L. Parchment bound, 400 to 500 unnumbered pages. From February, 1727–28, to November, 1729. (The fly leaf incorrectly says to November, 1731.) Reverse, 4 leaves of execution.

Book K. Parchment. About 150 unpaged leaves, February, 1729–30, to February, 1730–31. Reverse, 2 leaves of execution.

Paper book of about 50 unpaged leaves, April to August, 1731.

Book M. Parchment. About 300 unpaged leaves, May, 1731, to April, 1735.

Book N. Parchment, 250 to 300 unpaged leaves, June, 1735, to November, 1737.

Book N. Parchment, 250 to 300 unpaged leaves, June, 1735, to November, 1737.

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Book O (though the label is lost from the back). Parchment. From 250 to 300 unpaged leaves, January, 1737–38, to January, 1739–40. Reverse, 22 leaves for June, 1738.

Book P. About 350 unpaged leaves, April, 1740, to June, 1742.

Book Q. About 250 unpaged leaves, April, 1742, to November, 1744.

Book R. About 250 leaves, January, 1744–45, to June, 1747, and about 40 loose leaves, November, 1747, to June, 1748.

Book S. About 350 leaves, November, 1748, to January, 1754. Reverse, 5 leaves of executions.

Book T. About 300 leaves, April, 1754, to June, 1759. The record for April–June, 1759, is on loose leaves laid in. Reverse, 7 leaves of executions.

Book V. About 300 leaves, November, 1759, to January, 1763, filling about two-thirds of the volume. Reverse, about one-third of the volume contains executions.

Here occurs a break in the records from 1763 to 1771; probably two volumes are missing.

Book U. About 200 leaves, June, 1771, to January, 1773. Reverse, 10 leaves of executions.

Book W. About 300 leaves, of which perhaps two-thirds have been used, April, 1773, to November, 1774. Here occurs a large break: Several volumes, three or four at least, covering the period from 1744 to 1798, can not be found. How long they have been missing is unknown.

Court records of trials, from November, 1798, to March, 1803. Reverse, 4 leaves, as to prison limits, turnpikes, highways, etc.

Court records (civil), August, 1803, to December, 1809. Reverse, 10 leaves of appointments of deputy sheriffs, criminal trials, etc., to 1811. A thick volume.

Court records. Perhaps 300 leaves, March, 1810, to March, 1819. Reverse, 5 leaves, sheriff's deputies, etc.

Court records. A thick volume, August, 1819, to March, 1828. Reverse, 17 leaves, conservators and miscellaneous matters.

Court records. A thick volume, August, 1828, to August, 1834. Reverse, 18 leaves, appointments, special trials, etc., 1829–1834.

Hitherto all the volumes are unpaged and unindexed. The letters G. H., etc., have been put on them in modern times, and not always with due regard to their proper sequence.

Court records. A thick volume of 506 pages, March, 1835, to August, 1839. Reverse, 45 pages of appointments and miscellaneous matter. This is the first volume of the series in this office which is paged and has indexes, but the volume, like sundry of its predecessors and successors, is not numbered.

Court records. Five hundred and sixty pages, November, 1839, to November, 1844. Reverse, 31 pages of miscellaneous matter. Indexed.

Court records. Six hundred and thirty-four pages, November, 1844, to August, 1850. Reverse, 28 pages "Sheriff's records," and miscellaneous. Not indexed.

Court records. Three hundred and sixty-eight pages, November, 1850, to March, 1854.

Another series whereof the volumes are not numbered is composed of waste books which have been bound up in recent times and labeled "Court docket and record." Each volume is made up of several of these waste books, some of which are but remnants of their former selves. In some respects they are more important than the regular records, since they record such judgments as were paid or satisfied and such as were appealed from, not recorded in the latter. They also contain appointments, etc. They measurably fill lacunæ in the regular series of records.

November, 1754, to January, 1760.

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April, 1760, to November, 1764.

April, 1763, to January, 1767, of a larger size, not consecutive years.

January, 1765, to November, 1768. On the front waste leaf of the last book is drawn a map of Hartford County.

January, 1769, to November, 1770, little and big.

January, 1771, to November, 1772.

January, 1773, to November, 1774.

January, 1775, to April, 1777.

November, 1777, to November, 1781.

February, 1782, to November, 1783.

February, 1784, to November, 1785.

January, 1786, to November, 1787.

February, 1788, to November, 1789.

January, 1790, to November, 1791.

January, 1792, to November, 1794.

January, 1795, to November, 1796. This volume also contains 5 leaves of appointments, about 100 pages of defaults, March, 1796–March, 1797; taverner's licenses, about 40 leaves, 1796–1799.

January, 1797, to March, 1798.

Some of the waste books bound up in this series have their dockets.

Dockets. These have been bound, six or eight to a volume. They contain names of attorneys, the number of the case, names of parties to suits, and a space for minutes by the clerk. There are eighteen volumes, not numbered, covering from 1799 to 1855.

Defaults. Prior to 1755 judgments by default may have been entered in the same volumes with other judgments. The volumes of this series are not numbered. They are neither paged nor indexed.

January, 1775–February, 1782. A thick volume, with four cases per printed page.

February, 1782, to November, 1783.

February, 1784, to November, 1785.

November, 1785, to November, 1786. About one-third of the book used.

No volumes from 1786 to 1797 of this series are found.

November, 1797, to February, 1798. There are also about 156 executions on 39 pages.

March, 1798, to November, 1801.

November, 1801, to December, 1804.

December, 1804, to March, 1808.

March, 1808, to March, 1810.

December, 1809, to December, 1811, and nine volumes more bringing them down to March, 1855.

Executions. There are nine volumes uniformly bound, all purporting to be recorded by George Wyllys, clerk (who died in 1796). They were all apparently written at the same time in the same printed form. The volumes are not numbered nor given particular titles. The printed portion is on every fifth page, leaving three pages blank for writing out the return. It would seem that the volumes were filled up from old files not chronoligically arranged. The volumes are without paging or index. The following are the proximate dates covered by each: 1737–1798, 1743–1798, 1744–1798, 1747–1798, 1748–1798, 1753–1798, 1763–1798, 1763–1787.

There are seven more volumes of executions, 1798–1820. Two of them, 1798–1807, are partially indexed; the others are not indexed.

Judgments. One volume, December, 1809–March, 1820, two cases per printed page. Not paged nor indexed.

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Appointments of auditors to hear cases pending in court. One volume, March, 1804–August, 1841. Not paged nor indexed.

Criminal costs. There are three unnumbered volumes so lettered. They are records of costs taxed in criminal cases, both in the superior and county courts. They cover the period 1843–1855, and are neither paged nor indexed.

Appeals. There are four unnumbered volumes, 1798–1855, neither paged nor indexed.

Taverners licensed. Those from 1796–1799 are to be found in the volume of court docket and record, 1795–96, before mentioned. There are two volumes not paged nor indexed; seven licenses recorded per printed page, extending from March, 1808, to September, 1860. After 1855 these licenses were granted by the superior court.

Naturalization records. There are four volumes of these, 1834–1855, and one volume of declaration of intention, 1853–1855. Neither are paged nor indexed.

Pensioners of the Revolutionary war. There are two volumes, one containing the statements by 194 pensioners required by an act of Congress of May 1, 1820, all made in that year, the other containing 80 statements, 1820–1832. Both these were indexed by the late N. H. Morgan.

Files. The files of the county court have been arranged in bundles according to the term of the court in the early files and according to cases in the more recent files. They are well preserved in steel cases in the vault of the county clerk and are voluminous enough to be complete.

SUPERIOR COURT.

This court was established in 1711, and was a circuit court with one clerk until 1798, when an act was passed directing the judges to appoint a clerk in each county, and ordering that the then existing records of the court be kept in the office of the secretary of this State, who was vested with all the powers of clerk of said court in all matters relating to said records. The records of the superior court were not so well and carefully kept as those of the court of assistants had been, but they are in a good state of preservation. They are unpaged and not indexed, except where otherwise stated. The following is a catalogue of the volumes:

A book not labeled. It begins with cases in Hartford County, September, 1711, in the handwriting of Jonathan Law, and extends to October term, 1714, at New Haven. It also contains from the adjourned court at New Haven, February, 1748–49, to Windham County term, June, 1749. It seems to be waste books bound together.

No. 1. Parchment bound. From March term, 1714–15, at Fairfield, to March term, 1718, at New Haven.

No. 2. Parchment bound. September term, 1718, Fairfield, to September term, 1721, New Haven.

No. 3. Parchment bound. September, 1721, Hartford, to September, 1724, New Haven.

No. 3½. "The records of the Superior Court in the colony of Connecticut in New England, beginning at the court holden at Fairfield, March 6th, anno R. Rs. Gii. 2,° annoque Domini, 1715–16," to May, 1724, Hartford. This is a larger folio, paged and indexed, bound in parchment. It is a continuation of No. 2, court of assistants. On the cover is written in a modern hand, "This book is a repetition of No. 1 in part, commencing with corresponding date in that book and extends nearly through No. 3." Lying loose in the book is the record of a court of equity holden at New London, in the county of New Lon-

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don, on the 27th day of March, 1716, by special commission from the general court holden at New Haven on the second Thursday in October, 1715; seventeen written leaves.

No. 4. Parchment. September, 1724, Hartford, to September, 1727, New Haven.

No. 4. In modern binding. August, 1724, Fairfield, to August, 1728, Fairfield. Two executions and the will of George Clark are recorded at the end. This is a continuation of No. 3½, and a duplicate of No. 4, and parts of No. 3 and No. 5.

No. 5. Parchment. September, 1727, Hartford, to May, 1730, Hartford.

Book in paper cover. August, 1730, Fairfield, to May, 1731, Hartford. Fifty-two leaves.

No. 6. August, 1731, Fairfield, to August, 1736, Fairfield.

No. 7. Parchment. September, 1736, New Haven, to August, 1741, New Haven.

No. 8. Parchment. September, 1741, Hartford, to August, 1745, New Haven.

No. 9. Parchment. September, 1745, Hartford, to January, 1748–49, Windham.

No. 10. Parchment. August, 1749, Fairfield, to August. 1753, New Haven.

No. 12 (11). September, 1753, Hartford, to March, 1756, Hartford. An execution prefixed. Bound in rough sheep.

(No. 12.) March, 1756, Windham, to August, 1756, New Haven. Reverse end, "On this side are entered sundry Executions whereby Lands were taken in satisfaction." Dates from 1747 to 1793. Bound in rough sheep.

No. 13. December, 1756, Hartford, to September, 1759, New London. Rough sheep.

No. 14. February, 1760, Fairfield, to March, 1763, Windham. Rough calf.

(No. 15.) March, 1763, Norwich, to September, 1765, New London. February, 1766, Fairfield, 6 pages laid in.

(No. 16.) February, 1766, New Haven, to September, 1769, Hartford. Laid in are Fairfield, August, 1766, 10 pages; Fairfield, February, 1768, 15 pages; Fairfield, April, 1768, 6 pages, and other papers.

(No. 17.) September, 1769, Windham, to August, 1772, New Haven.

(No. 18.) September, 1772, Hartford, to December, 1777, New Haven. Lying in it are Fairfield, August, 1770, and Fairfield, April, 1777.

(No. 19.) August, 1773, Litchfield, to March, 1782, Norwich. Lying in it is January, 1781, Windham.

(No. 20.) August, 1782, Litchfield, to November, 1784, New London.

(No. 21.) December, 1784, New Haven, to March, 1786, Norwich.

(No. 22.) July, 1786, Middletown, to March, 1788, Windham.

(No. 23.) March, 1788, Norwich, to January, 1790, Haddam.

(No. 24.) January, 1790, New Haven, to March, 1791, Tolland.

(No. 25.) March, 1791, Windham, to August, 1793, Litchfield.

(No. 26.) September, 1793, Hartford, to September, 1795, Hartford.

(No. 27.) September, 1795, Windham, to September, 1797, Windham.

(No. 28.) September, 1797, New London, to March, 1798, Norwich.

Superior court records, chancery, 1774–1796. Begins Litchfield, August, 1774, but cases are not chronologically entered. There are 214 pages, and the book was once indexed, but A to Q is now lost. It has been rebound within a few years.

Superior court records. Executions, 1784–1798. Not paged nor indexed.

The files of the superior court are stored in the attic over the supreme court room. They are voluminous enough to be complete. They are arranged in bundles, according to the term, are labeled, and in good order. Selections from them, together with most of the extant files of the court of assistants and earlier courts, have been arranged in volumes in the State Library, lettered Crimes

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and Misdemeanors, 1663–1778, six volumes, Court Papers, 1700–1705, and some in the series, Private Controversies.

The records of the superior court since 1798 are in the office of county clerk, and consist of—

Records of trials, from September, 1798, in twenty-nine volumes.

Defaults, three volumes, 1841–.

Executions, two volumes, 1799–1820.

Insolvency cases, one volume, 1829–1841.

Divorces, four volumes, 1864–.

Naturalizations, two volumes, 1838–.

Declarations of intended citizenship, two volumes, 1856–.

Naturalization dockets, four volumes, 1858–.

Criminal costs, eight volumes.

Notaries public commissioned, eight volumes, 1871–.

Liquor license, two volumes.

Sheriffs' deputies. A record of their appointment, beginning 1854.

Manuscript dockets. There are forty or more bound volumes and some unbound. The earliest now found begins 1805. These contain memoranda of official orders, etc., not elsewhere found, except such as are on the back of files.

General index. Since 1873 a general index (Burr's) has been kept, in which all names of parties to suits, etc., have been entered.

Files. About 350 bundles are contained in file cases, to which there are marks of indication affixed; some 300 more bundles are labeled. All the old files prior to commencement of Burr index (1873) have been rearranged and classified by years, and are now filed in steel cases and are easily accessible.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

A volume lettered "Reasons of the Court of Errors," contains opinions in some cases from June term, 1803, to June term, 1807. There are 90 written pages, and the book is about a quarter full. One case, Pollard and Picket *v.* Ely, is not reported; the others are in Day, volumes 1 and 2.

Records of the supreme court of errors, beginning on the first Tuesday of June, 1810, and ending with June term, 1817. Thirty-six written leaves, about one-quarter of the book, the rest being blank. It is neither paged nor indexed. Both these books are in good order. These volumes are in the office of the secretary of state.

By an act of the general assembly, passed in May, 1819, it was provided that the supreme court should be held once a year in each county of the State. It had previously ben held alternately at Hartford and New Haven. The first session under the new arrangement was held at Hartford in June, 1820.

There are two volumes, one, June, 1820, to September, 1864, contains, besides cases in error and the judgments and orders of the court thereon, appointments, allotments of judges, rules of court, etc. The record is fuller than that now kept. It is not indexed. The other, beginning February, 1864, is the current volume.

Manuscript docket of the first judicial district. This begins in January, 1879. The first judicial district was constituted at the May session, 1866, and consisted of the counties of Hartford and Tolland. Middlesex County was annexed in 1874, Windham County in 1879, and Litchfield County in 1881. These volumes are in the office of the county clerk.

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NEW HAVEN COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

Volume I. Parchment bound, pages 280, and a separate index. It covers the years 1666–1698. Between pages 168 and 169 four leaves are inserted containing "The Records of the General Quarter Sessions for the County of Newhaven. Began in March, 1687–8."

Volume II. Parchment, 1699–1713. Portions of this volume have been corroded by the ink; but it has been copied so far as it could be, and the copy kept with the original.

Volume III. Parchment, 1713–1738.

Volume IV. Rebound, 1739–1757.

Volume V. 1755–1764. All after page 590 is record of executions.

Volume VI. 1764–1767. All after page 242 is record of executions.

Volume VII. 1767–1773, but lettered 1767–1776.

Volume VIII. 1774–1783, but lettered 1776–1783.

Volumes IX–XXVII. 1783–1855. The printed records begin with Volume XVII. All the volumes of the New Haven County courts are indexed.

Equity records cover the period 1773–1821 in this court.

Some files are preserved of date as early as 1700.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Volumes I–XLV. 1798 to the present time.

Manuscript dockets begin in 1798; thirty-three volumes.

Criminal records are in a separate series in four volumes, beginning in 1837.

Naturalization records are in five volumes.

Declarations of intention in three volumes.

Liquor licenses in nine volumes.

A general index was begun in 1860.

Index of cases in the superior court, 1860 to the present time, in two volumes. In this index the name of each party to a suit is mentioned twice. All orders and appointments are indexed, and all suits excepting divorces.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

The records are complete from July, 1820, in five volumes.

Files. The files of the county court, from about 1700 to 1857, and those of the superior court from 1798, appear to be full and in good order. The court records of New Haven County have been well kept, and are in better condition than those of either of the other original counties.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

The first volume is an unbound book of 58 leaves, 11 by 7 inches in size. Before June, 1667, the handwriting is mostly that of Obadiah Bruen; after June, 1667, mostly in that of Daniel Wetherell; there are, however, portions which were written by Secretaries John Allyn and Daniel Clark. The earliest entry in the book is February, 1661–62. There are 11 pages of memoranda of writs, etc. The first session of a court recorded is December 31, 1663, and the last is of a county court September 19, 1667. At the end are 9 pages of miscellaneous records, such as the entry of horses shipped from the port of New London from September, 1661, and some marriages. A transcript of this volume is in the State Library at Hartford.

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The second volume is without covers. Some of the leaves at either end are missing, and those remaining much frayed. It begins September (?), 1668, and ends in June, 1669. It contains records of trials, probate orders, inventories, and some marriages.

Volume III has no covers, and leaves are wanting at either end, and those remaining are frayed. The earliest entry is June (?), 1670, and the latest June 7, 1681. It includes probate orders and inventories. Some entries are in shorthand.

Volume IV has a thin paper cover. Some loose leaves from some other volume or volumes are laid in. It begins with September 20, 1681, and ends with a session (at Stonington) of January 22, 1683–84.

Volume V is tied up with the preceding. It begins with June 3, 1684, and ends with February 22, 1686–87.

Volume VI has no covers, and some early leaves are missing. The earliest entry seems to be of June 7, 1687, and the latest of those chronologically arranged is October 27, 1687; but there are irregular entries so late as April 8, 1701.

Volume VII has parchment covers. It is entitled "Probate and County Court Records," and, like all the preceding volumes, has probate orders, etc. The earliest entry is June 4, 1689, and the last June, 1703. The records of the courts in this country during the Andros government do not seem to exist. At the end of the volume are recorded a few executions. From 1703 to 1711 the records are missing.

Volume VIII (if it may properly be so designated) is in brown-paper covers, and consists of some half dozen waste books now tied together. It seems to cover the whole period from June 5, 1711, to September 23, 1715. Like all preceding volumes, it is unpaged and unindexed.

Volume IX is bound and indexed, and apparently a copy of the preceding down to November 23, 1714, page 106.

Volume X, August 9, 1715, to November 27, 1716, is in paper covers. There is laid in a docket of cases, which are numbered.

Volume XI, February 19, 1716–17, to March 11, 1717–18. In paper covers.

Volume XII, June 3, 1718, to November 24, 1719. In paper covers. There is a docket for part of the volume.

Volume XIII, February 23, 1719–20, to November 22, 1720. In paper covers. It has dockets of cases, as do the succeeding volumes.

Volume XIV, February 7, 1720–21, to November 26, 1723. In boards.

Volume XV, February 25, 1723–24, to June 18, 1725. In parchment.

Volumes XVI–XXVI, November 23, 1725, to November 22, 1768. In boards.

For the period between November, 1768, to November, 1784, the records seem to be lost. They are complete from November, 1784, to June, 1855, when the court ceased to exist. There is an index from June, 1847, to June, 1855. There are six volumes of defaults, 1809–1855. There are four volumes of executions, 1790–1820, indexed. From 1835 to 1855 the manuscript dockets are bound in five volumes.

A pile of about 300 leaves, burnt at the top, bottom, and edges of both sides, contains records of judgments, 1817–1832. It is wrapped in a paper, and, curiously, had been supposed to be the remains of a volume saved from the conflagration at New London in 1781.

There are three volumes of appeals from the county court, 1809–1855. Not indexed.

There is one volume of naturalization records, which is indexed.

The files appear to be pretty complete from 1701.

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SUPERIOR COURT.

The court records are complete from 1798, when the court for the first time had a clerk in each county, to the present time, and they are contained in fifteen volumes. Before 1856 the volumes are not indexed, but they generally have dockets of cases.

From August, 1856, the criminal records are kept in a separate series of volumes, of which there are now three, all indexed.

From August, 1857, divorces have been recorded in separate volumes, of which there are now four, all indexed.

There is one volume of insolvency cases, March, 1833, to September, 1841, not indexed. There are two volumes of defaults, 1853–1861, indexed. Beginning in 1836, the manuscript dockets have been kept in separate volumes, twenty-two in number. Declaration of intended citizenship are in three volumes, indexed.

Records of naturalization are in three volumes, indexed.

The files are preserved since 1798.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

The records of the supreme court when held in this county are in two volumes, Vol. I, October, 1819–October, 1864, not indexed. Vol. II is the current volume, and is indexed. In 1866 Windham County was united with New London County to form the second judicial district. In 1881 Windham County was detached and annexed to the first judicial district.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

These records are kept at Bridgeport. The volumes are not numbered nor indexed. The oldest now found is from March, 1702–3, to 1741.

Two volumes of 144 and 185 old leaves, respectively, and of the periods, 1703–1719 and 1720–1723, are made up by mounting original leaves upon new paper.

Volume, parchment, bound, 1741–1750.

Volume, parchment, 1748–49 to 1750–51.

Volume, boards, April, 1751, to May, 1752.

Volume, parchment, 1752–1755.

Volume, old leather, 1755–1757.

Seven volumes contain the records from 1758–1783.

A book of five leaves contains libels in admiralty, 1779–1780.

A book of which only forty-eight leaves were used, 1787–1788.

One of which only nineteen leaves were used, 1795.

Ten volumes, 1800–1855. Most of the foregoing are unindexed.

There are six unnumbered volumes of executions, 1785–1820. Four of them are indexed.

There is one volume of appeals, 1826–1852, not indexed.

One volume contains county court records, 1851–1855, 208 pages, and miscellaneous records (county commissioners) to 1887, pages 209–252.

SUPERIOR COURT.

These are kept at Bridgeport, and there are nineteen unnumbered volumes, and generally unindexed, from 1798 to the present time.

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One volume of executions, 1778–1820, partially indexed.
Six volumes of divorces, 1866–1887.
Three volumes of defaults, 1841–1887.
Eight volumes of naturalization records, 1842–1887.
One volume foreclosures of mortgages, 1885–1887.
Four volumes of criminal records, 1854–1887.
Twenty-two volumes of manuscript dockets (civil), 1840–1887.
Four volumes of manuscript dockets (criminal), 1869–1887.
Two volumes of appointments of attorneys, etc., 1861–1887.
Eight volumes of criminal costs, 1855–1887.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

These are also at Bridgeport. The first volume begins in June, 1820, and ends in October, 1859. A second volume was begun in 1879.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

The court records of this county have been ruined by having been kept in a damp vault. The covers of some volumes have rotted off, the paper is decayed and moldy, and the writing in many places illegible.

COUNTY COURT.

These are now kept in two large iron safes in the court-house in Brooklyn. Most of them are not indexed.

Volume I begins in June 1726, and ends in February, 1732. In bad order.

Volumes II and III are missing.

Volume IV, parchment bound. February, 1739–40, to March, 1741. A rotton mass.

Volume V., December, 1741 to 1744. Very tender, but generally legible.

There are twenty-nine more volumes of county court records covering the period from 1744 to 1855, a few of which are in good condition, but most of them are more or less moldy and decayed.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Volume I, September, 1798, to January, 1811.

Volume (II), September, 1811, to September, 1823. Cover off; in pieces; leaves frayed; ruinously moldy.

Volume (III), January, 1824, to January, 1835, in about the same condition.

Volume (IV), October, 1835, to January, 1844. Moldy.

The other volumes of this series are in good condition.

Executions, 1800–1818. Cover off; leaves loose and moldy.

Insolvent debtors, one volume, 1828–1841. Cover off; moldy.

Defaults, October, 1839–1872. Good.

Manuscript dockets, nine volumes, in good condition.

Since 1876, civil causes have been indexed in a Burr index.

The court files at Brooklyn are in a wretched condition, from the dampness of the place where they were kept in part, and partly apparently from the ravages of vermin.

An act was passed in 1887 providing for rewriting of such records of the superior court as one of the judges should find required it for their preservation. It is understood that some progress has been made in the transcription of a volume.

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SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

One volume, July, 1827, to August, 1871; cover off; book about one-third used; unpaged. In 1866 this county, with that of New London, formed the third judicial district, but it was annexed to the first district in 1879.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

The county court records from 1785 to 1800 are missing.

Liber I, 1800–1812, judgments and taverners, about 500 pages. Licenses for taverners in back of book.

Liber II, 1813–1819, judgments and taverners, 457 pages.

Liber III, 1820–1826, 422 pages.

Liber IV, 1826–1836, 546 pages.

Liber V, 1837–1853, 543 pages.

Liber VI, 1853–1855. The county courts were succeeded by the superior courts in 1855. All of the above volumes are indexed for names, and in good condition.

Defaults and appeals. There are seven volumes of defaults and appeals extending from 1800 to 1855, indexed and in good condition.

Executions. There are four volumes of executions extending from 1800 to 1820, indexed and well preserved.

Docket. The county court docket appears to be complete from 1785. For the early years the docket is bound in paper, but the later years are in substantial bindings.

Files. The files of the county court are complete from 1785. They are filed according to terms, tied in bundles, and excellently arranged in steel compartments.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Liber I, 1798–1807, 484 pages.

Liber II, 1807–1815, 479 pages.

Liber III, 1815–1820, 580 pages.

Liber IV, 1820–1825, 544 pages.

Liber V, 1825–1830, 551 pages.

Liber VI, 1830–1836, 573 pages.

Liber VII, 1837–1843, 556 pages.

Liber VIII, 1843–1849, 548 pages.

Liber IX, defaults, 1842–1858, 597 pages.

Liber X, 1849–1855, 568 pages.

Liber XI, 1855–1858, 567 pages.

Liber XII, miscellaneous, appointments of deputy sheriffs, tax assessments, records of county commissioners, 1855–1905.

Liber XIII, defaults, 1858–1874, 440 pages.

Liber XIV, 1858–1861, 569 pages.

Liber XV, 1862–1866, 568 pages.

Liber XVI, 1867–1870, 574 pages.

Liber 16½, divorce decrees, 1869–1880; a larger volume, 250 pages used.

Liber XVII, 1870–1873, 557 pages.

Liber XVIII, 1873–1876, 580 pages.

Liber XIX, 1876–1878, 562 pages.

Liber 19½, defaults; larger volume, 1874–1881, 147 pages used.

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Liber XX, criminal, 1876–1901, 579 pages.
Liber XXI, 1878–1882, 566 pages.
Liber 21½, divorce decrees, 1880–1903.
Liber XXII, 1882–1888, 580 pages.
Liber XXIII, defaults, 1882–1906, 347 pages.
Liber XXIV, 1888–1897, 560 pages.
Liber XXV, 1897–1905, 570 pages.
Liber XXVI, criminal, 1901–1906; current volume.
Liber XXVII, 1905–6; current volume.
Liber XXVIII, divorces, 1904–1906; current volume.

All the above records are uniformly and well bound and indexed for names.

There are twenty-three volumes, big and little, of naturalization records.

A volume marked "Records of Civil Authority, Middlesex County," paper bound, about 50 written pages, gives votes of county commissioners from 1796 to 1847.

Docket. The docket of the superior court appears to be complete and in good order.

Files. The files are arranged in a manner similar to those of the county court, and are apparently complete.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

One volume, 1819–1904, in good order, but not indexed.

LITCHFIELD COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

Volume 1, 1751–1758, parchment bound, 366 pages.
Volume 2, 1758–1762, parchment bound, 342 pages.
Volume 3, 1762–1767, parchment bound, 470 pages.
Volume 4, 1767–1772, 352 pages.
Volume 5, 1772–1774, 370 pages.
Volume 6, 1775–1780, 366 pages.
Volume 7, 1780–1782, 266 pages.
Volume 8, 1782–1784, 351 pages.
Volume 9, 1784–1787, 455 pages.
Volume 10, 1787–1789, 466 pages.
Volume 11, 1790–1792, 463 pages.
Volume 12, 1793–94, 447 pages.
Volume 13, 1794–1797, 557 pages.
Volume 14, 1797–98, 620 pages.
Volume 15, 1798–1803, 537 pages.
Volume 16, 1803–1808, 548 pages.
Volume 17, 1809–1816, 526 pages.
Volume 18, 1816–1823, 570 pages.
Volume 19, 1823–1827, 512 pages.
Volume 20, 1828–1835, 592 pages.
Volume 21, 1833–1842, 549 pages.
Volume 22, 1842–1854, 445 pages.
Volume 32 (intended for 23), 1854–55, 16 pages.

Defaults. There are thirty volumes of defaults in good condition.

Appeals. There are seventeen volumes of appeals.

Executions. There are seven volumes of executions not correctly numbered nor complete. The dates in some volumes overlap those in other volumes.

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Docket. There are two volumes of the county court docket, one from 1800 to 1903, and the second from 1830 to 1837.

All the above volumes are in good order with indexes in most cases arranged in separate volumes. The books are not at present well arranged on shelves in chronological order.

Files. The files are imperfect, but are well arranged in bundles according to the session and filed in steel drawers.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Volume I, 1789–1805, 555 pages.
Volume II, 1805–1812, 544 pages.
Volume III, 1812–1819, 600 pages.
Volume IV, 1819–1824, 717 pages.
Volume V, 1825–1830, 523 pages.
Volume VI, 1830–1836, 666 pages.
Volume VII, 1836–1839, 534 pages.
Volume VIII, 1839–1845, 478 pages.
Volume X, 1845–1850, 486 pages.
Volume XI, defaults.
Volume XII, 1851–1855, 447 pages.
Volume XIII, 1855–1858, 555 pages.
Volume XIV, defaults.
Volume XV, defaults.
Volume XVI, 1858–1862, 560 pages.
Volume XVII, defaults.
Volume XVIII, 1863–1871, 671 pages.
Volume XIX, divorces, 1867–1880, 475 pages.
Volume XX, criminal, 1867–1889, 542 pages.
Volume XXI, criminal, 1867–1896, 397 pages.
Volume XXII, 1872–1874, 498 pages.
Volume XXIII, 1874–1877, 494 pages.
Volume XXIV, 1877–1884, 494 pages.
Volume XXIV, criminal, 1884–1906.
Volume XXV, 1884–1895, 475 pages.
Volume XXVI, 1884–1895, 475 pages.
Volume XXVII, naturalizations, 1888–1906.
Volume XXVIII, omitted.
Volume XXIX, criminal, 1863–1906, 397 pages.
Volume XXX, criminal record, 1890–1906.

There has been prepared a well-made typewritten index of all the above volumes.

Files. The superior court files are in good condition, and arranged similar to those of the county court.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

There are two volumes, one beginning in 1820. The second volume runs from 1874 to 1882, while the records since 1882 are in the old volume. Both these volumes are in good order.

There is a docket of the supreme court from 1840 to 1904.

There are several volumes of miscellaneous records such as naturalization records, lists of notaries public, etc.

There are four treasurer's account books covering the years from 1779 to 1854.

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TOLLAND COUNTY.

COUNTY COURT.

Volume I, 1786–1794, 386 pages.
Volume II, 1795–1799, 457 pages.
Volume III, 1800–1803, 397 pages.
Volume IV, 1804–1807, 555 pages.
Volume V, 1807–1810, 559 pages.
Volume VI, 1811–1814, 529 pages.
Volumes VII, VIII, and IX, missing.
Volume X, 1829–1836, 556 pages.
Volume XI, 1836–1845, 573 pages.
Volume XII, 1845–1853, 484 pages.
Volume XIII, 1853–1855. The latter portion of this book contains the records of appointments of deputy sheriffs, medical examiners, etc.

These volumes are in good order, indexed after a fashion, and stored in the vault of the probate judge at Rockville.

Files. The files of the county court prior to 1885 are kept in a stone vault at Tolland. They are tied in bundles according to the term of the court, and stored in an indiscriminate manner on wooden shelves. Some of the files are lying loose on the floor, and the whole mass would require a thorough rearrangement to be made easy of access. The files since 1893 are kept in a safe in the office of the county clerk at Rockville.

SUPERIOR COURT.

Volume I, 1799–1811, 366 pages.
Volume II, 1812–1826. At the end of this volume is a record of a supreme court of errors held in 1826, at which no business was transacted.
Volume III, 1826–1847, 545 pages.
Volume IV, 1848–1853, and one record of a court held October, 1863, at which nothing was done.
Volume V, 1853–1859, 406 pages.
Volume VI, 1860–1867, 452 pages.
Volume VII, marked No. 6, 1867–1873, 400 pages.
Volume VIII, marked No. 7, 1873–1877, 446 pages.
Volume IX, marked No. 8, 1876–1880, Divorces, 90 pages.
Volume X, marked No. 9, 1876–1880, Defaults.
Volume XI, marked No. 10, 1877–1883, 438 pages.
Volume XII, marked No. 11, 1883–1890, 439 pages.
Volume XIII, marked No. 12, 1890–1899, 440 pages.
Volume XIV, marked No. 13, 1899–1906.

These volumes are in good order, indexed, and kept in the vault of the probate judge at Rockville.

Files. The files of the superior court prior to 1885 are at Tolland, and in the same place and condition as those of the county court. Since 1893 the files have been kept at Rockville.

SUPREME COURT OF ERRORS.

The records of the supreme court prior to 1856, with the exception of a court held in 1826, which is recorded in Volume II of the superior court records, are missing.

Volume I, 1856–1892, 24 pages used; indexed.
Volume II is the current volume.

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Historical Notes on the Probate Districts of Connecticut.

The towns comprising the early Hartford and New Haven colonies were settled under different authorities, and the two colonies maintained separate and distinct governments until their final union under the Connecticut charter, in January, 1665.

In the New Haven Colony, which comprised the towns of New Haven, Milford, Guilford, Branford, Southold, and Stamford, the law provided that wills should be proved in the plantation court and recorded in the plantation (town) where the deceased resided, and then filed with and an abstract recorded by the secretary of the colony in New Haven. Estates were to be administered under authority of the plantation court where the deceased resided. Wills are recorded on the Stamford records between 1646 and 1695. It is understood that no wills are recorded in the other towns, though there are early probate proceedings on the Guilford records.

In the Connecticut Colony, Hartford and surrounding towns, until 1666, estates were administered under orders of the particular court. Until 1649 its doings are recorded in the same volume with the general court's records, and are included in the first printed volume of Connecticut Colonial Records. Its records from 1650 to 1666, and including the Hartford County court records to 1677, are in the secretary's office in the capitol. The files, however, are in the Hartford probate office.

As early as 1649 special particular courts were held at Fairfield, and from that time many of the estates of the future Fairfield County were administered under orders of these special courts instead of the regular particular court at Hartford. The records of these special courts are in the Fairfield probate office.

Special particular courts were also held at New London for several years before the establishment of the county court in 1666, and some of the estates of the future New London County were administered under orders of these special courts. Their records are with the county court records at Norwich. On September 6, 1781, when the town was burned by the British, the following New London probate records were destroyed: Record of wills, from the beginning; journals, from April, 1763, and files, from 1777.

The records of the inferior court, held at Hartford in 1688 and 1689, during the Andros government, for the counties of Hartford and New London, which are now in possession of Hon. J. Hammond Trumbull, contain proceedings in the settlement of several estates, with records of some wills and inventories.

The general assembly at its session in May, 1666, established the four counties of Hartford, New London, New Haven, and Fairfield, which included all the towns then organized and settled, and ordered

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that "wills and inventories of persons deceased within any of the counties of this colony shall be exhibited and proved at the county court to which the deceased did appertain by his habitation." This was the first actual division of the State into probate districts, although probate courts, as such, were not established and separated from the county courts until 1698, and the limits of the counties and probate districts remained coterminous until 1719.

List of Towns showing Probate Districts in which they are or have been included.

(To avoid frequent repetition, the names of districts are printed in small capitals and the names of towns in lower-case letters. The dates of incorporation or naming of towns are taken from the State Register.)

Andover. Incorporated May, 1848; from Hebron and Coventry. In HEBRON until June 27, 1851; since then in ANDOVER.

Ansonia. Incorporated May, 1889, from Derby. In DERBY since incorporation.

Ashford. Named October, 1710. In HARTFORD until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1752; then in POMFRET until June 4, 1830; since then in ASHFORD.

Avon. Incorporated May, 1830, from Farmington. In FARMINGTON until May session, 1844; since then in AVON.

Barkhamsted. Named May session, 1732; incorporated October, 1779. In HARTFORD until May session, 1769; then in SIMSBURY until May 27, 1825; then in NEW HARTFORD until June 5, 1834; since then in BARKHAMSTED.

Beacon Falls. Incorporated May, 1871, from Bethany. In NAUGATUCK since its incorporation.

Berlin. Incorporated May, 1785, from Farmington, Wethersfield, and Middletown. In FARMINGTON, HARTFORD, and MIDDLETOWN, partly in each, until June 2, 1824; since then in BERLIN.

Bethany. Incorporated May, 1832, from Woodbridge. In NEW HAVEN until July 4, 1854; since then in BETHANY.

Bethel. Incorporated May, 1855, from Danbury. In DANBURY until July 4, 1859; since then in BETHEL.

Bethlehem. Incorporated May, 1787. In WOODBURY since its incorporation.

Bloomfield. Incorporated May, 1835, from Windsor. In HARTFORD since its incorporation.

Bolton. Incorporated October, 1720. In HARTFORD until May session, 1782; then in EAST WINDSOR until May session, 1789; then in HEBRON until June 27, 1851; since then in ANDOVER.

Bozrah. Incorporated May, 1786, from Norwich. In NORWICH until June 3, 1843; since then in BOZRAH.

Branford. Settled in 1644, under New Haven jurisdiction. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1719; then in GUILFORD until June 21, 1850, except that the Society of Northford was in WALLINGFORD from May session, 1776, until its incorporation in North Branford in May, 1831; since then in BRANFORD.

Bridgeport. Incorporated May, 1821, from Stratford. In STRATFORD until June 4, 1840; since then in BRIDGEPORT.

Bridgewater. Incorporated May, 1856, from New Milford. In NEW MILFORD since its incorporation.

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Bristol. Incorporated May, 1785, from Farmington. In FARMINGTON until June 4, 1830; since then in BRISTOL.

Brookfield. Incorporated May, 1788, from Danbury, New Milford, and Newtown. In DANBURY until May session, 1820; then in NEWTOWN until June 19, 1850; since then in BROOKFIELD.

Brookhaven. See Setauket.

Brooklyn. Incorporated May, 1786, from Pomfret and Canterbury. In POMFRET and PLAINFIELD, partly in each, the part taken from Canterbury being in PLAINFIELD, until June 4, 1833; since then in BROOKLYN.

Burlington. Incorporated May, 1806, from Bristol. In FARMINGTON until June 3, 1834; since then in BURLINGTON.

Canaan. Incorporated October, 1739. In HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until October session, 1755; then in SHARON until June 6, 1846; since then in CANAAN.

Canterbury. Incorporated October, 1703, from Plainfield. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1747; then in PLAINFIELD until May 27, 1835; since then in CANTERBURY.

Canton. Incorporated May, 1806, from Simsbury. In SIMSBURY until June 7, 1841; since then in CANTON.

Chaplin. Incorporated May, 1822, from Mansfield and Hampton. In WINDHAM until June 7, 1850; since then in CHAPLIN.

Chatham. Incorporated October, 1767, from Middletown. In MIDDLETOWN and EAST HADDAM, partly in each, the part south of Salmon River being in EAST HADDAM, until June 1, 1824; since then in CHATHAM.

Cheshire. Incorporated May, 1780, from Wallingford. In WALLINGFORD until May 27, 1829; since then in CHESHIRE.

Chester. Incorporated May, 1836, from Saybrook. In SAYBROOK since its incorporation.

Clinton. Incorporated May, 1838, from Killingworth. In CLINTON (the old district) until June 1, 1842; then in KILLINGWORTH until July 5, 1862; since then in CLINTON (the new district).

Colchester. Named October, 1699. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1708; then in HARTFORD until October session, 1741; then in EAST HADDAM until May 29, 1832; since then in COLCHESTER.

Colebrook. Named May session, 1732; incorporated October, 1779. In HARTFORD until May session, 1769; then in SIMSBURY until May session, 1779; then in NORFOLK, until May 31, 1838; since then in WINCHESTER.

Columbia. Incorporated May, 1804, from Lebanon. In WINDHAM until May session, 1808; then in HEBRON until June 27, 1851; since then in ANDOVER.

Conway. Incorporated May session, 1841, from Chatham. Name changed to Portland during the same session of the legislature. (See Portland.)

Cornwall. Incorporated May, 1740. Probably in HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then probably in LITCHFIELD until June 15, 1847; since then in CORNWALL. (Cornwall was annexed to Hartford County, May session, 1738. It is not named in the act constituting Litchfield probate district, October session, 1742, but in the edition of the Colony Laws printed in 1750 it is named as being in Litchfield district.)

Coventry. Named October, 1711. In HARTFORD until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1789; then in HEBRON until June 19, 1849; since then in COVENTRY.

Cromwell. Incorporated May, 1851, from Middletown. In MIDDLETOWN since its incorporation.

Danbury. Named October, 1687. In Fairfield until May session, 1744; since then in DANBURY.

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Darien. Incorporated May, 1820, from Stamford. In STAMFORD since its incorporation.

Derby. Named May, 1675. In NEW HAVEN until July 4, 1858; since then in DERBY.

Durham. Incorporated May, 1708. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1719; then in GUILFORD until May session, 1752; since then in MIDDLETOWN.

East Granby. Incorporated June, 1858, from Granby and Windsor Locks. In GRANBY until July 4, 1865; since then in EAST GRANBY.

East Haddam. Incorporated May, 1734, from Haddam. In HARTFORD until October session, 1741; since then in EAST HADDAM, except that a small part of the town was in CHATHAM from May session, 1830, to June 2, 1831.

East Hampton (N. Y.). In Connecticut from 1658 to 1664. Probably under jurisdiction of the particular court.

East Hartford. Incorporated October, 1783, from Hartford. In EAST WINDSOR until May session, 1797; then in HARTFORD until May, 1887; since then in EAST HARTFORD.

East Haven. Incorporated May, 1785, from New Haven. In NEW HAVEN until August, 1868; then in EAST HAVEN until January 3, 1883; since then in NEW HAVEN.

East Lyme. Incorporated May, 1839, from Lyme and Waterford. In NEW LONDON until June 2, 1843; since then in EAST LYME.

East Windsor. Incorporated May, 1768, from Windsor. In HARTFORD and STAFFORD, partly in each, the parish of Ellington being in STAFFORD, until May session, 1782; since then in EAST WINDSOR, except that the small portion of Ellington Parish lying east of a meridian line drawn from the northwest corner of Tolland remained in STAFFORD.

Eastford. Incorporated May, 1847, from Ashford. In ASHFORD until June 21, 1849; since then in EASTFORD.

Easton. Incorporated May, 1845, from Weston. In WESTON until July 22, 1875; since then in EASTON until March 4, 1878; since then in BRIDGEPORT.

Ellington. Incorporated May, 1786, from East Windsor. In EAST WINDSOR and STAFFORD, partly in each, "that part lying east of a meridian line drawn from the northwest corner of Tolland" being in STAFFORD, until May 31, 1826; since then in ELLINGTON.

Enfield. Named and granted by Massachusetts, May, 1683; annexed to Connecticut, May, 1749. In HAMPSHIRE COUNTY (Northampton, Mass.), until May, 1749; then in HARTFORD until May session, 1782; then in EAST WINDSOR until May 26, 1831; since then in ENFIELD.

Essex. Incorporated May, 1854, from Old Saybrook. In OLD SAYBROOK until July 4, 1859; since then in ESSEX.

Fairfield. Settled, 1639; named, 1645. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; since then in FAIRFIELD.

Farmington. Incorporated December, 1645. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then in HARTFORD until January, 1769; since then in FARMINGTON.

Franklin. Incorporated May, 1786, from Norwich. In NORWICH since its incorporation.

Glastonbury. Incorporated May, 1690, form Wethersfield. In HARTFORD until May session, 1782; then in EAST WINDSOR until May session, 1797; since then in HARTFORD.

Goshen. Incorporated October, 1739. In HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until May 13, 1895; since then in TORRINGTON.

Granby. Incorporated October, 1786, from Simsbury. In SIMSBURY until May session, 1807; since then in GRANBY.

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Greenwich. Settled 1640. The settlement was made under authority of the New Haven Colony, but in 1642 the inhabitants claimed the protection of the Dutch government at New Netherlands, and so remained until 1656, when they returned to the New Haven Colony. In 1662 they submitted to the authority of the Connecticut Colony. Probably in NEW HAVEN from 1656 until 1662; then probably under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then in FAIRFIELD until May session, 1728; then in STAMFORD until July 4, 1853; since then in GREENWICH.

Griswold. Incorporated October, 1815, from Preston. In NORWICH since its incorporation.

Groton. Incorporated May, 1705, from New London. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1766; then in STONINGTON until May 25, 1839; since then in GROTON.

Guilford. Settled 1639. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1719; since then in GUILFORD.

Haddam. Incorporated October, 1668. In HARTFORD until October session, 1741; then in EAST HADDAM until May session, 1752; then in MIDDLETOWN, except that the part lying east of the Connecticut River was annexed to CHATHAM June 1, 1824, until June 3, 1830; since then in HADDAM.

Hamden. Incorporated May, 1786, from New Haven. In NEW HAVEN since its incorporation.

Hampton. Incorporated October, 1786, from Windham, Pomfret, Brooklyn, Canterbury, and Mansfield. In WINDHAM until June 2, 1836; since then in HAMPTON.

Hartford. Settled 1635. Under the jurisdiction of the particular court until May session, 1666; since then in HARTFORD.

Hartland. Incorporated May, 1761. In HARTFORD until May session, 1769; then in SIMSBURY until May session, 1807; then in GRANBY until June 3, 1836; since then in HARTLAND.

Harwinton. Incorporated October, 1737. In HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until May 27, 1835; since then in HARWINTON.

Hebron. Incorporated May, 1708. In HARTFORD until October session, 1741; then in EAST HADDAM until May session, 1789; since then in HEBRON.

Huntington (N. Y.). In Connecticut from 1660 to 1664. Probably under jurisdiction of the particular court.

Huntington. Incorporated January, 1789, from Stratford. In STRATFORD until June 4, 1840; then in BRIDGEPORT, except that the "first voting district" was annexed to DERBY March 25, 1880, until May, 1889; since then in HUNTINGTON.

Kent. Incorporated October, 1739. In HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until October session, 1755; then in LITCHFIELD and SHARON, partly in each, the Society of East Greenwich remaining in LITCHFIELD, and being incorporated into the town of Warren in 1786, and the remainder of the town being in SHARON, until May session, 1787; then in NEW MILFORD until May 26, 1831; since then in KENT.

Killingly. Incorporated May, 1708. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1747; then in PLAINFIELD, except that the two north societies were annexed to POMFRET, May session, 1752, until June 4, 1830; since then in KILLINGLY.

Killingworth. Named May, 1667. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in GUILFORD until May session, 1780; then in SAYBROOK until June 3, 1834; then in KILLINGWORTH until May 28, 1838; then in CLINTON until June 1, 1842; since then in KILLINGWORTH.

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Lebanon. Incorporated October, 1700. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until June 2, 1826, except that the part of the parish of Andover belonging to Lebanon was in HEBRON from May session, 1790, until about 1820; since then in LEBANON.

Ledyard. Incorporated May, 1836, from Groton. In STONINGTON until June 6, 1837; since then in LEDYARD.

Lisbon. Incorporated May, 1786, from Norwich. In NORWICH since its incorporation.

Litchfield. Incorporated May, 1719. In WOODBURY until October session, 1742; since then in LITCHFIELD.

Lyme. Named May, 1667. In NEW LONDON until June 4, 1830; then in LYME (the old district) until July 24, 1868; then in OLD LYME until July 5, 1869; since then in LYME (the new district).

Madison. Incorporated May, 1826, from Guilford. In GUILFORD until May 22, 1834; since then in MADISON.

Manchester. Incorporated May, 1823, from East Hartford. In HARTFORD until June 22, 1850; since then in MANCHESTER.

Mansfield. Incorporated May, 1702, from Windham. In HARTFORD until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May 30, 1831; since then in MANSFIELD.

Marlborough. Incorporated October, 1803, from Colchester, Glastonbury, and Hebron. In EAST HADDAM until May 29, 1832; then in COLCHESTER until June 11, 1846; since then in MARLBOROUGH.

Meriden. Incorporated May, 1806, from Wallingford. In WALLINGFORD until June 3, 1836; since then in MERIDEN.

Middlebury. Incorporated 1807, from Waterbury. In WATERBURY since its incorporation.

Middlefield. Incorporated May, 1866, from Middletown. In MIDDLETOWN since its incorporation.

Middletown. Incorporated September, 1651. Under jurisdiction of the particular court until May session, 1666; then in HARTFORD until May session, 1752, except that the part included in the parish of Middle Haddam was in EAST HADDAM from October session, 1741, until May session, 1752, and the part south of Salmon River was in EAST HADDAM from May session, 1742; then in MIDDLETOWN and EAST HADDAM, partly in each, until October session, 1767, when the part south of Salmon River which had been in EAST HADDAM was incorporated as Chatham; since then in MIDDLETOWN.

Milford. Settled 1639. In NEW HAVEN until May 22, 1832; since then in MILFORD.

Monroe. Incorporated May, 1823, from Huntington. In STRATFORD until June 4, 1840; since then in BRIDGEPORT.

Montville. Incorporated October, 1786, from New London. In NEW LONDON until June 27, 1851; since then in MONTVILLE.

Morris. Incorporated May, 1859, from Litchfield. In LITCHFIELD since its incorporation.

Mortlake. Never was incorporated as a distinct town, although it was frequently spoken of as such. It became a part of Pomfret. In WINDHAM until May session, 1752; after that in POMFRET.

Naugatuck. Incorporated May, 1844, from Waterbury, Bethany, and Oxford. In WATERBURY until July 4, 1863; since then in NAUGATUCK.

New Britain. Incorporated May, 1850, from Berlin. In BERLIN since its incorporation.

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New Canaan. Incorporated May, 1801, from Norwalk and Stamford. In FAIRFIELD and STAMFORD, partly in each, until May session, 1802; since then in NORWALK.

New Fairfield. Incorporated 1740. In FAIRFIELD until May session, 1744; since then in DANBURY, except that the North Society was in NEW MILFORD from May session, 1787, until it was incorporated as the town of Sherman in October, 1802.

New Hartford. Incorporated October, 1738. In HARTFORD until January, 1769; then in FARMINGTON until October session, 1808; then in SIMSBURY until May 27, 1825; since then in NEW HARTFORD.

New Haven. Settled 1638. In NEW HAVEN since its settlement.

New London. Settled 1646. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; since then in NEW LONDON.

New Milford. Incorporated October, 1712. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1719; then in WOODBURY until May session, 1787; since then in NEW MILFORD.

Newington. Incorporated July 11, 1871, from Wethersfield. In HARTFORD since its incorporation.

Newtown. Incorporated October, 1711. In FAIRFIELD until May session, 1744; then in DANBURY until May session, 1820; since then in NEWTOWN.

Norfolk. Incorporated October, 1758. In LITCHFIELD until May session, 1779; since then in NORFOLK.

North Branford. Incorporated May, 1831, from Branford. In GUILFORD and WALLINGFORD, partly in each, since its incorporation, the Society of Northford being in WALLINGFORD.

North Canaan. Incorporated May, 1858, from Canaan. In CANAAN since its incorporation.

North Haven. Incorporated October, 1786, from New Haven. In NEW HAVEN since its incorporation.

North Stonington. Incorporated May, 1807, from Stonington. In STONINGTON until June 4, 1835; since then in NORTH STONINGTON.

Norwalk. Incorporated September, 1651. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then in FAIRFIELD until May session, 1802; since then in NORWALK.

Norwich. Settled 1660. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then in NEW LONDON until October, 1748; since then in NORWICH.

Old Lyme. Incorporated as South Lyme May, 1855, from Lyme; name changed in 1857. In LYME (the old district) until July 24, 1868; since then in OLD LYME.

Old Saybrook. Incorporated May, 1852, from Saybrook. In SAYBROOK until July 4, 1853; since then in OLD SAYBROOK.

Orange. Incorporated May, 1822, from Milford and New Haven. In NEW HAVEN since its incorporation.

Oxford. Incorporated October, 1798, from Derby and Southbury. In NEW HAVEN until June 4, 1846; since then in OXFORD.

Plainfield. Incorporated May, 1699. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1747; since then in PLAINFIELD.

Plainville. Incorporated May, 1869, from Farmington. In FARMINGTON since its incorporation.

Plymouth. Incorporated May, 1759, form Watertown. In WATERBURY until May 31, 1833; since then in PLYMOUTH.

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Pomfret. Named 1713. In NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1747; then in PLAINFIELD until May session, 1752; since then in POMFRET.

Portland. Incorporated May, 1841, from Chatham. In CHATHAM since its incorporation.

Preston. Named October, 1687. In NEW LONDON until October, 1748; since then in NORWICH.

Prospect. Incorporated May, 1827, from Cheshire and Waterbury. In WALLINGFORD until May 27, 1829; since then in CHESHIRE.

Putnam. Incorporated May, 1855, from Thompson, Pomfret, and Killingly. In THOMPSON until July 5, 1856; since then in PUTNAM.

Redding. Incorporated May, 1767, from Fairfield. In FAIRFIELD until January session, 1782; then in DANBURY until May 24, 1839; since then in REDDING.

Ridgefield. Incorporated October, 1709. In FAIRFIELD until May session, 1728; then in STAMFORD until October session, 1746; then in DANBURY until June 10, 1841; since then in RIDGEFIELD.

Rocky Hill. Incorporated May, 1843, from Wethersfield. In HARTFORD since its incorporation.

Roxbury. Incorporated October, 1796, from Woodbury. In WOODBURY until June 6, 1842; since then in ROXBURY.

Rye (N. Y.) In Connecticut from 1665 to 1683. Probably under the jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then probably in FAIRFIELD until 1683.

Salem. Incorporated May, 1819, from Colchester, Lyme, and Montville. In NEW LONDON and EAST HADDAM, partly in each, the part taken from Lyme being in NEW LONDON until July 9, 1841; the part taken from Montville being in NEW LONDON from June 3, 1824, until July 9, 1841 (previous to June 3, 1824, it had apparently been overlooked and not assigned to any probate district); the part taken from Colchester being in EAST HADDAM until May 29, 1832; then in COLCHESTER until July 9, 1841. In SALEM since July 9, 1841.

Salisbury. Incorporated October, 1741. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until October session, 1755; then in SHARON until June 16, 1847; since then in SALISBURY.

Saybrook. Settled 1635, and was a separate colony until it united with Connecticut in 1644. Under the jurisdiction of the particular courts from 1644 until May session, 1666; then in NEW LONDON until October session, 1719; then in GUILFORD until May session, 1780; since then in SAYBROOK.

Scotland. Incorporated May, 1857, from Windham. In WINDHAM since its incorporation.

Setauket (now Brookhaven, N. Y.) In Connecticut from 1661 to 1664. Probably under jurisdiction of the particular court.

Seymour. Incorporated May, 1850, from Derby. In NEW HAVEN since its incorporation. By recent legislation it was annexed to Derby in 1899.

Sharon. Incorporated October, 1739. In NEW HAVEN until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until October session, 1755; since then in SHARON.

Sherman. Incorporated October session, 1802, from New Fairfield. In NEW MILFORD until June 4, 1846; since then in SHERMAN.

Simsbury. Named May session, 1670. In HARTFORD until May session, 1769; since then in SIMSBURY.

Somers. Incorporated 1734. In Massachusetts until 1749. In HAMPSHIRE COUNTY (Northampton) until 1749; then in HARTFORD until May session, 1759; then in STAFFORD until May 31, 1826; then in ELLINGTON until June 3, 1834; since then in SOMERS.

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South Lyme. Incorporated May, 1855, from Lyme. Name changed to Old Lyme in 1857. In LYME until after the change of name.

South Windsor. Incorporated May, 1845, from East Windsor. In EAST WINDSOR since its incorporation.

Southampton (N. Y.). In Connecticut from 1645 to 1664. Probably under jurisdiction of the particular court.

Southbury. Incorporated May, 1787, from Woodbury. In WOODBURY since its incorporation.

Southington. Incorporated October, 1779, from Farmington. In FARMINGTON until May 24, 1825; since then in SOUTHINGTON.

Southold (N. Y.). Settled 1640. In Connecticut, New Haven Colony, until 1664. In NEW HAVEN.

Sprague. Incorporated May, 1861, from Lisbon and Franklin. In NORWICH since its incorporation.

Stafford. Settled 1719. In HARTFORD until May session, 1759; since then in STAFFORD.

Stamford. Settled 1640. In NEW HAVEN until May session, 1666; then in FAIRFIELD until May session, 1728; since then in STAMFORD.

Sterling. Incorporated May, 1794, from Voluntown. In PLAINFIELD until June 17, 1852; since then in STERLING.

Stonington. Incorporated October, 1658, by Massachusetts. Was for some years claimed by both Connecticut and Massachusetts, and the location of its early probate records is doubtful; perhaps a part will be found in Massachusetts and a part in the records of particular courts in Connecticut; then in NEW LONDON until October session, 1766; since then in STONINGTON.

Stratford. Settled 1639. Under jurisdiction of the particular courts until May session, 1666; then in FAIRFIELD until May session, 1782; since then in STRATFORD.

Suffield. Incorporated by Massachusetts, May, 1674; annexed to Connecticut, May, 1749. In HAMPSHIRE COUNTY (Northampton, Mass.) until May, 1749; then in HARTFORD, except that the part lying west of the mountain was annexed to GRANBY, May session, 1807, until May session, 1821; since then in SUFFIELD.

Thomaston. Incorporated May, 1875, from Plymouth. In WATERBURY until June, 1882; since then in THOMASTON.

Thompson. Incorporated May, 1785, from Killingly. In POMFRET until May 25, 1832; since then in THOMPSON.

Tolland. Named May, 1715. In HARTFORD until May session, 1759; then in STAFFORD until June 4, 1830; since then in TOLLAND.

Torrington. Incorporated October, 1740. In HARTFORD until October session, 1742; then in LITCHFIELD until June 16, 1847; since then in TORRINGTON.

Trumbull. Incorporated October, 1797, from Stratford. In STRATFORD until June 4, 1840; since then in BRIDGEPORT.

Union. Incorporated October, 1734. In WINDHAM until May session, 1752; then in POMFRET until May session, 1759; since then in STAFFORD.

Vernon. Incorporated October, 1808, from Bolton. In HEBRON until May session, 1814; then in STAFFORD until May 31, 1826; since then in ELLINGTON.

Voluntown. Named May, 1708. In NEW LONDON until May session, 1726; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1747; then in PLAINFIELD until June 4, 1830; then in VOLUNTOWN until April 3, 1889; since then in NORWICH.

Wallingford. Named May, 1670. In NEW HAVEN until May session, 1776; since then in WALLINGFORD.

Warren. Incorporated May, 1786, from Kent. In LITCHFIELD since its incorporation.

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Washington. Incorporated January, 1779, from Woodbury, Litchfield, Kent, and New Milford. In LITCHFIELD and WOODBURY, partly in each, the parts taken from Woodbury and New Milford and known as the Society of Judea being in WOODBURY, until May 22, 1832; since then in WASHINGTON.

Waterbury. Named May, 1686. In HARTFORD until October session, 1719; then in WOODBURY until May session, 1779; since then in WATERBURY.

Waterford. Incorporated October, 1801, from New London. In NEW LONDON since its incorporation.

Watertown. Incorporated May, 1780, from Waterbury. In WATERBURY until June 3, 1834; since then in WATERTOWN.

West Hartford. Incorporated May, 1854, from Hartford. In HARTFORD since its incorporation.

Westbrook. Incorporated May, 1840, from Saybrook. In SAYBROOK until July 4, 1853; then in OLD SAYBROOK until July 4, 1854; since then in WESTBROOK.

Westmoreland (Pa.). Incorporated January, 1774. Probably in LITCHFIELD until May session, 1775; then made a distinct district by the name of WESTMORELAND.

Weston. Incorporated October, 1787, from Fairfield. In FAIRFIELD until May 22, 1832; then in WESTON until July 22, 1875; since then in WESTPORT.

Westport. Incorporated May, 1835, from Fairfield, Norwalk, and Weston. In WESTPORT since its incorporation.

Wethersfield. Settled 1635. Under the jurisdiction of the particular court until May session, 1666; since then in HARTFORD.

Willington. Incorporated May, 1727. In HARTFORD until May session, 1759; then in STAFFORD until June 4, 1830; since then in TOLLAND.

Wilton. Incorporated May, 1802, from Norwalk. In NORWALK since its incorporation.

Winchester. Named 1733. Incorporated May, 1771. In HARTFORD until May session, 1769; then in SIMSBURY until May session, 1779; then in NORFOLK until May 31, 1838; since then in WINCHESTER.

Windham. Incorporated May, 1692. In HARTFORD until October session, 1719; since then in WINDHAM.

Windsor. Settled 1637. In HARTFORD until July 4, 1855, except that Ellington Parish, which was included in East Windsor at the incorporation of that town, was set off to STAFFORD, May session, 1759; since then in WINDSOR.

Windsor Locks. Incorporated May, 1854, from Windsor. In HARTFORD since its incorporation.

Wolcott. Incorporated May, 1796, from Waterbury and Southington. In WATERBURY since its incorporation.

Woodbridge. Incorporated January, 1784, from New Haven and Milford. In NEW HAVEN since its incorporation.

Woodbury. Named May, 1674. In FAIRFIELD until October session, 1719; since then in WOODBURY.

Woodstock. Incorporated by Massachusetts March, 1690; annexed to Connecticut May, 1749. Probably in SUFFOLK COUNTY (Boston, Mass.), until 1731; then in WORCESTER COUNTY until May, 1749; then in WINDHAM until May session, 1752; then in POMFRET until May 30, 1831; since then in WOODSTOCK.

PROBATE RECORDS.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF AVON.

Date of organization.—1844.
Number of volumes of records.—Four, 1844–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.

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Files.—Probably complete.

Method of filing.—All papers in each case are inclosed in an envelope and marked with the name of estate.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF BERLIN.

Date of organization.—1824.

Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-four, 1824–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete.

Method of filing.—Since 1894 each file is numbered; before that time in alphabetical order.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF BRISTOL.

Date of organization.—1830.

Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-one, 1830–1903.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Doubtful if files are complete except for last twenty-five or thirty years.

Method of filing.—Papers in each estate are kept in a separate filing case until estate is settled, then filed alphabetically by years in town vault.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF BURLINGTON.

Date or organization.—1834.

Number of volumes of records.—Seven, 1834–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete.

Method of filing.—Arranged alphabetically.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF CANTON.

Date of organization.—1841.

Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1841–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete.

Method of filing.—Same subject-matter filed together by years or series of years.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF EAST GRANBY.

Date of organization.—1865.

Number of volumes.—Six, 1865–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are not complete.

Method of filing.—Each estate is filed separately.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF EAST HARTFORD.

Date of organization.—1887.

Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1887–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete.

Method of filing.—Filed alphabetically.

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COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF EAST WINDSOR.

Date of organization.—1780.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventeen, 1780–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Files of each year are bundled together and marked with year date.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD. DISTRICT OF ENFIELD.

Date of organization.—1831.
Number of volumes of records.—Sixteen, 1831–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—All papers of each estate are filed together in a document envelope and then filed alphabetically in our new fireproof steel vault in files.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF FARMINGTON.

Date of organization.—1769.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-seven. 1769–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate in separate envelope.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF GRANBY.

Date of organization.—1807.
Number of volumes of records.—Fourteen. 1807–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—All papers of an estate are filed together.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF HARTFORD.

Date of organization.—1634.
Number of volumes of records.—Two hundred and two, not including volumes 1–3 in the office of the secretary of state. Volume 4, the oldest in probate office, commences with February 9, 1677–78.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Many documents, ancient wills, inventories, etc., are missing.
Method of filing.—Documents for the period prior to 1887 are arranged in bundles alphabetically, wills by themselves, inventories by themselves, etc. Beginning with 1887 all the papers of each estate are filed together in packets, alphabetically and chronologically.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD. DISTRICT OF HARTLAND.

Date of organization.—1836.
Number of volumes of records—Five, 1836–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Uncertain prior to 1883.
Method of filing.—Filed in envelopes since 1883. Before then tied with a string in bundles and kept in a box.

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COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF MANCHESTER.

Date of organization.—1850.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-one, 1850–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Complete.
Method of filing.—Each class of papers arranged by themselves chronologically.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF MARLBORO.

Date of organization.—1846.
Number of volumes of records.—Four, 1846–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed by estates.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF SIMSBURY.

Date of organization.—1769.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-five, 1769–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate filed in an envelope by itself and labeled, and each year's envelopes are in a package by themselves and labeled.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF SOUTHINGTON.

Date of organization.—1825.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-three, 1825–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Estates are filed in filing envelopes, label on end; miscellaneous matters are filed in boxes and arranged alphabetically.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF SUFFIELD.

Date of organization.—1821.
Number of volumes of records.—Fourteen, 1821–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—No alphabetical arrangement; documents have been placed in vault from year to year.

COUNTY OF HARTFORD, DISTRICT OF WINDSOR.

Date of organization.—1855.
Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1855–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Complete, as far as business is transacted.
Method of filing.—The papers connected with each estate or other matters coming before the court are in separate envelopes, placed in file boxes that are marked alphabetically.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF BETHANY.

Date of organization.—1854.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1854–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are practically complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is kept separate and placed in the safe.

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COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF BRANFORD.

Date of organization.—1850.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventeen, 1850–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Everything relating to an estate filed in one envelope marked with the name of the estate.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF CHESHIRE.

Date of organization.—1826.
Number of volumes of records.—Sixteen.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Current files, or those running back a few years, are kept in lettered pigeonholes in vault. The older ones are in packages lettered and packed away on shelves.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF DERBY.

Date of organization.—1858.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-eight, 1858–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate filed in separate envelope or package, then arranged according to the date of death of deceased.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF GUILFORD.

Date of organization.—1719.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty-six, 1720–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Files are arranged by years, each year in a paper box labeled with the year. Since 1853 each estate is in a heavy envelope, marked with name and year, and filed in boxes as above. Files since 1853 indexed.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF MADISON.

Date of organization.—1834.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1834–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate in manila packet and arranged alphabetically in filing cases.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF MERIDEN.

Date of organization.—1836.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty-two (including index), 1836–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Complete since 1893. Files for previous years have been arranged in vault under direction of selectmen.
Method of filing.—All papers pertaining to an estate are filed in strong manila envelopes, labeled on back; they are then bundled and placed in vault.

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COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF MILFORD.

Date of organization.—1832.
Number of volumes of records.—Eighteen and two bond books, 1832–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Think some early files are lost.
Method of filing.—All papers relating to an estate filed in an envelope marked with name of estate.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF NAUGATUCK.

Date of organization.—1863.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifteen, 1863–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Not complete.
Method of filing.—The papers of each estate are filed in an envelope and then placed in vault or safe.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF NEW HAVEN.

Date of organization.—1719.
Number of volumes of records.—Three hundred and forty-one, 1647–1904.
Volumes missing—None.
Files.—Files are probably nearly complete for past one hundred years.
Method of filing.—Files are kept by years, the papers for each year being arranged alphabetically. The wills, distributions, and assignments are in one set of pigeonholes, the bonds in another, and all other papers in another.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF OXFORD.

Date of organization.—1846.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1846–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Kept in packages.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF WALLINGFORD.

Date of organization.—1776.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty, 1776–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in boxes alphabetically.

COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN, DISTRICT OF WATERBURY.

Date of organization.—1779.
Number of volumes of records.—Ninety-four, 1779–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed alphabetically.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF BOZRAH.

Date of organization.—1843.
Number of volumes of records.—Three, 1843–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Uncertain if files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate filed in separate files and placed in safe.

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COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF COLCHESTER.

Date of organization.—1832.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty, 1741–1904.[a]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—For the last fifteen years the papers of each estate have been placed in separate envelopes.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF EAST LYME.

Date of organization.—1843.
Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1843–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF GROTON.

Date of organization.—1839.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-seven, 1839–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files prior to July 4, 1867, are missing; files since 1870 are complete and easily accessible.
Method of filing.—Filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF LEBANON.

Date of organization.—1826.
Number of volumes of records.—Two, and one volume for probate bonds, 1826 to date.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Arranged in bundles, each containing about fifty files.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF LEDYARD.

Date of organization.—1837.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1836–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each file bears a card stating what is contained in the file, and is numbered. Each paper is numbered, corresponding with record number.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF LYME.

Date of organization.—1869.
Number of volumes of records.—Two, 1869–1904.[b]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.

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[a] Contains the records of East Haddam from October session, 1741, to May 29, 1832.

[b] There are records for a district of the same name from 1832 to 1869 in possession of the probate district of Old Lyme, the towns of Old Lyme and Lyme having in 1869 been constituted separate probate districts, and the records of the old district of Lyme were given to the district of Old Lyme, so that all the records of Lyme prior to 1869 are now in the district of Old Lyme.

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Method of filing.—The earlier files were arranged bonds with bonds, wills with wills, etc. Later files all the documents of one estate are filed together in one or more large envelopes indorsed with the name of the estate.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF MONTVILLE.

Date of organization.—1851.
Number of volumes of records.—Five, 1852–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Original files in miscellaneous bundles; now each estate is filed in envelope by itself.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF NEW LONDON.

Date of organization.—1698.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventy-seven, 1700–1904.
Volumes missing.—The "record" books were burned September 6, 1781, when the town was burned, but the journals were saved. The original files from 1778 to 1781 were also destroyed, but the remainder of the files were preserved, and the town has had them copied into nine volumes, which are a part of the probate records.
Files.—Files are complete, except from 1778 to 1781, as stated.
Method of filing.—The files of each year are arranged in a separate bundle chronologically.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF NORTH STONINGTON.

Date of organization.—1835.
Number of volumes of records.—Seven, 1835–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are fairly complete.
Method of filing.—Files are dated and each document in their regular place in file.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF NORWICH.

Date of organization.—1748.
Number of volumes of records.—One hundred and fourteen, 1748–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Probably complete.
Method of filing.—Prior to 1897 the papers were filed chronologically in bundles, each bundle containing fifty papers; the bonds had no filing marks on them and were placed in a bundle by themselves, sometimes as many as one hundred in a bundle. Since 1897 each estate is given a file number, and all papers belonging to an estate are placed in filing packets or envelopes open at the end. The papers in the file are lettered, which keeps them in file in chronological order. Have a card index and docket; the docket contains a synopsis of each estate entered therein, and is in effect a general index.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF OLD LYME.

Date of organization.—1830.[a]
Number of volumes of record.—Five, 1830–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed by years and by subjects.

[a] Organized as district of Lyme in 1830; changed to Old Lyme in 1869.

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COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF SALEM.

Date of organization.—1841.
Number of volumes of records.—Five, 1841–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—All papers relating to an estate placed in separate filing envelope.

COUNTY OF NEW LONDON, DISTRICT OF STONINGTON.

Date of organization.—1766.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty-one, 1767–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Since 1873 each subject filed in safe.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF BETHEL.

Date of organization.—1859.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1859–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Have alphabetical boxes and wrappers for each separate estate.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF BRIDGEPORT.

Date of organization.—1840.
Number of volumes of records.—One hundred and thirty-one, including thirty-seven order or decree books, also fourteen volumes of Stratford probate records, of which Bridgeport was a part until 1840, and four volumes of the district of Weston, the last volume of which contains the records of the district of Easton. The Stratford volumes cover the period from 1782 to 1840; the Weston volumes include Weston records from July 12, 1832, to April 20, 1874, and Easton records from April 19, 1875, to February 11, 1878. Bridgeport records cover from 1840 to date.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in file cases or boxes alphabetically arranged, and in chronological order.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF BROOKFIELD.

Date of organization.—1850.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1851–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Uncertain if files are complete.
Method of filing.—When estates are settled papers pertaining to same are put in envelopes.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF DANBURY.

Date of organization.—1744.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-nine, 1745–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—

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COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF FAIRFIELD.

Date of organization.—1666.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-nine, 1648–1904.
Volumes missing.—Volume between 1779 and 1787, copies volume 1 (1648–1656) by Miss Hannah Hobart.
Files.—With the exception of earliest estates files are complete. Full files 1648 to date.
Method of filing.—Filed alphabetically.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF GREENWICH.

Date of organization.—1853.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-seven, 1853–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files practically complete. Some papers in earlier files are missing.
Method of filing.—Papers in each estate are placed in separate envelope, marked with name of deceased and date of filing application. These envelopes are placed in hard paper boxes, set in pigeon holes, arranged alphabetically, and according to the year of filing.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF HUNTINGTON.

Date of organization.—1889.
Number of volumes of records.—Eleven, 1889–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Not complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in estates.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF NEWTOWN.

Date of organization.—1820.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-three, 1820–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Placed in envelopes by estates.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF NORWALK.

Date of organization.—1802.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty, 1802–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—From date of organization to April 1, 1900, all like papers were filed together in chronological order. Since 1900 all the papers relating to an estate are placed in a large envelope and same filed in chronological order.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF REDDING.

Date of organization.—1839.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1839–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Ordinary file bundle.

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COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF RIDGEFIELD.

Date of organization.—1841.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventeen, 1841–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files complete since 1852.
Method of filing.—The papers and files of each estate are placed in a pocket envelope and kept in a pigeonhole case.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF SHERMAN.

Date of organization.—1846.
Number of volumes of records.—Seven, 1846–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are nearly or quite complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is filed by itself.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF STAMFORD.

Date of organization.—1728.
Number of volumes of records.—Sixty-two, 1730–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate has a separate file, and there is a duplicate record kept, so that all the proceedings on each estate are found complete in the file.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF STRATFORD.

Date of organization.—1783.
Number of volumes of records.—Fourteen, 1840–1903.
Volumes missing.—None. Records from 1782 to 1839 in Bridgeport probate office.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Box system; arranged alphabetically and chronologically.

COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD, DISTRICT OF WESTPORT.

Date of organization.—1835.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-two, 1835–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in envelopes.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF ASHFORD.

Date of organization.—1830.
Number of volumes of records.—Five, 1830–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Estates are kept separate.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF BROOKLYN.

Date of organization.—1833.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1833–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—The files are kept in packets; each packet is numbered to correspond with number on record book.

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COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF CANTERBURY.

Date of organization.—1835.
Number of volumes of records.—Five, 1835–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in bundles and put in safe. No regular method.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF CHAPLIN.

Date of organization.—1850.
Number of volumes of records.—Five, 1850–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is filed in the safe in separate envelopes.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF POMFRET.

Date of organization.—1752.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-five, 1754–1904.
Volumes missing.—Records prior to 1754 were burned soon after the district was formed.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed by years in which estate is closed.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF PUTNAM.

Date of organization.—1856.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1856–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—All like papers are filed together by years.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF STERLING.

Date of organization.—1852.
Number of volumes of records.—Four, 1852–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete so far as judge knows.
Method of filing.—"Just packed in bundles."

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF EASTFORD.

Date of organization.—1849.
Number of volumes of records.—Six, 1849–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Impossible to tell without rearranging and classifying.
Method of filing.—For the past two years they are arranged by estates; prior to that time files are badly mixed.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF HAMPTON.

Date of organization.—1836.
Number of volumes of records.—Six, 1836–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—All papers pertaining to an estate are filed in an envelope.

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COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF KILLINGLY.

Date of organization.—1830.

Number of volumes of records.—Twenty, and three index books, 1849–1904.

Volumes missing.—All records previous to 1849 missing. Records were burned.

Files.—Complete since 1849.

Method of filing.—All papers belonging to an estate are placed in a separate packet; each packet is numbered and indexed.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF PLAINFIELD.

Date of organization.—1747.

Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-three, 1747–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete and well arranged since 1867. Prior to 1867 they are packed in boxes, but are supposed to be complete and well preserved.

Method of filing.—During past year have been arranging each estate by itself and putting them in packets; these packets are arranged alphabetically and chronologically in steel files.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF THOMPSON.

Date of organization.—1832.

Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1832–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are complete.

Method of filing.—All like papers tied in packages.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF WINDHAM.

Date of organization.—1719.

Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-eight, 1719–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Fairly complete and well arranged.

Method of filing.—Filed in iron files chronologically.

COUNTY OF WINDHAM, DISTRICT OF WOODSTOCK.

Date of organization.—1831.

Number of volumes of records.—Twelve, 1831–1904.

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Files are probably complete.

Method of filing.—Filed by years now; formerly like papers were filed together.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF BARKHAMSTED.

Date of organization.—1834.

Number of volumes of records.—Eleven, 1827–1904.[a]

Volumes missing.—None.

Files.—Supposed to be complete.

Method of filing.—Put in packages and labeled.

[a] Contains the records of New Hartford from May 27, 1825, to June 5, 1834.

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COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF CANAAN.

Date of organization.—1846.
Number of volumes of records.—Twelve, 1847–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Not quite complete previous to 1892.
Method of filing.—All papers pertaining to each estate are kept in one envelope and filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF CORNWALL.

Date of organization.—1847.
Number of volumes of records.—Seven, and one of bonds, 1847–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—They are filed year by year, or decade by decade.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF HARWINTON.

Date of organization.—1835.
Number of volumes of records.—Six, 1835–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Like papers were formerly filed together. Now all papers pertaining to an estate are filed together in separate envelopes.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF KENT.

Date of organization.—1831.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1831–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is in a package by itself.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF LITCHFIELD.

Date of organization.—1742.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-two, 1742–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—By years and by subject.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF NEW HARTFORD.

Date of organization.—1825.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifteen, 1834–1904.
Volumes missing.—None. All records and files from 1825 to 1833, inclusive, are kept in Barkhamsted by order of general assembly.
Files.—Files are complete since 1833.
Method of filing.—All papers of each estate are filed together under the date of the first paper issued.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF NEW MILFORD.

Date of organization.—1787.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty-five, 1787–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are supposed to be complete.
Method of filing.—They are now bundled year to year in sequence.

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COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF NORFOLK.

Date of organization.—1779.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1779–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—None lost at any particular time. Losses are scattered.
Method of filing.—They are now arranged by estates.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF PLYMOUTH.

Date of organization.—1833.
Number of volumes of records.—Nineteen, 1833–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Old files are preserved, but not assorted.
Method of filing.—Each estate in an envelope and filed in drawer.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF ROXBURY.

Date of organization.—1842.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1842–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—The files are tied in bundles alphabetically, a bundle for each letter.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF SALISBURY.

Date of organization.—1847.
Number of volumes of records.—Sixteen, 1847–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—The files are arranged in periods of five years, papers of same description being in same file.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF SHARON.

Date of organization.—1755.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-seven, 1757–1904.
Volumes missing.—A or No. 1.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in bundles, corresponding with book in which recorded.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF THOMASTON.

Date of organization.—1880.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1880–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Estates are arranged alphabetically.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF TORRINGTON.

Date of organization.—1847.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventeen, 1847–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Arranged alphabetically, each estate separate.

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COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON.

Date of organization.—1832.
Number of volumes of records.—Eleven, 1832–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Stationary files are arranged alphabetically.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF WATERTOWN.

Date of organization.—1834.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1834–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are practically complete.
Method of filing.—When estate is settled all files are placed in one file case marked on end with name of deceased and year in which estate was probated. These are arranged alphabetically and chronologically in fireproof vault.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF WINCHESTER.

Date of organization.—1838.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-eight, 1838–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Estates are arranged in file boxes alphabetically and chronologically under each letter.

COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD, DISTRICT OF WOODBURY.

Date of organization.—1719.
Number of volumes of records.—Forty-nine, 1719–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—The files are arranged alphabetically and chronologically.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF CHATHAM.

Date of organization.—1824.
Number of volumes of records.—Seventeen, and one of bonds, 1824–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF CLINTON.

Date of organization.—1861.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1862–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Doubtful if files are complete.
Method of filing.—In former years papers of the same kind were filed together; for the past fifteen or twenty years the files of each estate are placed in separate envelopes.

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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF EAST HADDAM.

Date of organization.—1832.
Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1832–1904.[a]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate, with all files pertaining to it, are filed in one envelope.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF ESSEX.

Date of organization.—1859.
Number of volumes of records.—Twelve, 1853–1904.[b]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed in safe in large envelopes.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF HADDAM.

Date of organization.—1830.
Number of volumes of records.—Fourteen, 1830–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is filed in separate envelope.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF KILLINGWORTH.

Date of organization.—1834.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1834–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Doubtful if files are complete.
Method of filing.—Files are badly mixed.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF MIDDLETOWN.

Date of organization.—1752.
Number of volumes of records.—Fifty-four and four of bonds, 1752–1903.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—They are arranged alphabetically.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF OLD SAYBROOK.

Date of organization.—1859.
Number of volumes of records.—Seven, 1859–1904.[c]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—All papers belonging to each estate are inclosed in envelope, plainly marked, showing to what estate it belongs.

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF SAYBROOK.

Date of organization.—1780.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-one, 1780–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Tied in bundles and placed on shelves in vault.

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[a] The records of East Haddam prior to 1832 are in Colchester.
[b] Contains the records of Old Saybrook from July 4, 1853, to July 4, 1859.
[c] The records of Old Saybrook from July 4, 1853, to July 4, 1859, are in Essex.

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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, DISTRICT OF WESTBROOK.

Date of organization.—1854.
Number of volumes of records.—Seven, 1854–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—They are placed in an envelope and filed alphabetically.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF ANDOVER.

Date of organization.—1851.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirty-five, 1789–1904.[a]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF COVENTRY.

Date of organization.—1849.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirteen, 1849–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Not complete.
Method of filing.—Files kept in pigeonholes.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF ELLINGTON.

Date of organization.—1826.
Number of volumes of records.—Thirty, 1826–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are missing prior to 1880.
Method of filing.—All papers of estates placed in a box, labeled with initial letter of surname of deceased. Boxes from A to Z.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF HEBRON.

Date of organization.—1851.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1851–1904.[b]
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Filed chronologically.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF MANSFIELD.

Date of organization.—1831.
Number of volumes of records.—Nine, 1831–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is filed in separate envelope.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF SOMERS.

Date of organization.—1834.
Number of volumes of records.—Eight, 1834–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are complete.
Method of filing.—Prior to 1900 the files are arranged alphabetically in tin cases, marked with names. Since 1900 the files are in envelopes with estate written on end.

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[a] The records of Hebron from 1789 to 1851 are in Andover.
[b] Records from 1789 to 1851 are in Andover.

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COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF STAFFORD.

Date of organization.—1759.
Number of volumes of records.—Twenty-seven, 1759–1904.
Volumes missing.—First bond book.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—Arranged by estates alphabetically.

COUNTY OF TOLLAND, DISTRICT OF TOLLAND.

Date of organization.—1830.
Number of volumes of records.—Ten, 1830–1904.
Volumes missing.—None.
Files.—Files are not complete.
Method of filing.—Each estate is kept by itself.

Local Records.

TOWN OF ANDOVER, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1848–1906	No	No.
Land records	5	1848–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1848–1906	No	Yes.[a]

[a] All but one volume.

TOWN OF ANSONIA, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1889–1906	No	No.
Land records	18	1889–1906	Yes	Vols. 1–13.
Vital statistics	4	1889–1906	No	No.

Miscellaneous records: City acts. There are copies of land records and vital statistics.

TOWN OF ASHFORD, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1717–1906	No	No.
Land records	33	1717–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	8	1717–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	3			
School society	1	1718–1856	Yes[a]	

[a] For year 1798.

Vital statistics have been copied by Nellie Shepherd under the direction of town clerk.

TOWN OF AVON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1830–1906	No	No.
Land records	12	1830–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1850–1906	No	No
School society	1	1867–1873		

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TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1732-1906	No	No.
Land records	27	1732-1906	No	No.
Vital statistics	2	1782-1906	No	No.
Selectmen's	2			
Proprietors'	1	1732-1846		

TOWN OF BEACON FALLS, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1871-1906	No	No.
Land records	4	1871-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1871-1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Joint stock corporations; military enrollment; burial records; qualified electors.

TOWN OF BERLIN, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1850-1906	No	Yes.
Land records	22	1850-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1850-1906	No	No.

Town was divided in 1850, New Britain taking all the old records up to that date.

TOWN OF BETHANY, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1832-1906	No	No.
Land records	11	1832-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1832-1906	No	Yes.
School society				No.
Church: Congregational society				
Miscellaneous	2			

TOWN OF BETHEL, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1855-1906	No	Yes.
Land records	21	1855-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1855-1906	No	Yes.
School society				

Miscellaneous records: One volume of attachments.
General index to land records will be needed.

TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1787-1906	No	No.
Land records	20	1787-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1787-1906	No[a]	No.
Selectmen's	3			No.
School society	1			

[a] Early records are very incomplete.

Miscellaneous records: One volume early voting list and assessments.

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TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1835–1906	No	No.
Land records	16	1835–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1847–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Tax liens and attachments.

TOWN OF BOLTON, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1720–1906	No	No.
Land records	18	1720–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	[a] 1849–1906	No	Yes.

[a] Up to 1849 all vital statistics are entered in records of town proceedings.

Miscellaneous records: One volume town treasurer's records, 1735–1787; tax lists; abstracts, liens, attachments, burial records, admission of electors.

TOWN OF BOZRAH, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1786–1906	No	No.
Land records	10	1786–1906	No	No.
Vital statistics	3	1786–1906	No	Partly.
School society	1			

TOWN OF BRANFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	6	1644–1906	No	No.
Land records	58	1644–1906	No	Yes.[a]
Vital statistics	8	1649–1906	Yes[b]	No.

[a] Vols. 1 and 11–15 indexed grantors and grantees; vols. 2–10 grantees only. All oyster ground records tax liens, attachments, and stock companies indexed.
[b] Tradition says a portion of early records were taken to Newark, N. J., by the Rev. Abraham Pierson.

Proprietors' records: Mixed with land and town records.
Church records: First Ecclesiastical Society of Branford, mixed records.
Miscellaneous records: Oyster grounds, 3 volumes; tax liens, 3; attachments, 2; stock companies, 2; abatement of taxes, 1; applicants for admission as electors, 1; electors' meetings and making of electors, 1.
Vital statistics, vols. 1 and 2, and part of another volume, have been copied by Walter Foote.

TOWN OF BRIDGEPORT, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Land records	218	1821–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	21	1853–1906	Yes[a]	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			

[a] Vital statistics records from 1847 to 1853 are very meager. There are two books which are copies of birth entries from church records running from 1850 to 1855.

Bridgeport town records from 1800 to date are in the city clerk's office.
The entire set of land records have been copied by Charles J. Knapp, Bridgeport; 14 volumes by town clerk, and they have been partially copied by James W. Thompson.

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TOWN OF BRIDGEPORT, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1856–1906	No	No.
Land records	4	1856–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1856–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1			

Miscellaneous records: Wills and distributions; attachments.

TOWN OF BRISTOL, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1785–1906	No	Partially.
Land records	62	1785–1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	6	1847–1906	No[a]	Yes.
School society[b]	1	1796–1870		

[a] Have few records of vital statistics previous to 1847. The Congregational Church has some old records.
[b] Record of original lay-out of district and doings of town meetings regarding schools. Societies keep their own records since 1870.

Miscellaneous records: Corporation records, 4 volumes; attachments, 5; register of physicians, 1; records of west cemetery, 2; dog licenses, abstracts; tax lists; oaths of officers, list of electors, and electors' meetings; complete index of electors from 1788 to date.

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1788–1826 1866–1906	1 volume. 1826–1866	No.
Land records	22	1788–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1789–1906	Yes[a]	Yes.
Selectmen's	3			
School society	1			

[a] Vital statistics prior to 1852 are very incomplete.

Miscellaneous records: Record treasurer town deposit fund, 1 volume; Hawley Toll Bridge Company, 1; town treasurer's records, 3; town ledger, 1; tax abatements, 1; enrollment of electors, 1.

TOWN OF BROOKLYN, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1786–1906	No	No.
Land records	17	1786–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics[a]	4	1786–1906	Yes	Vols. 1 and 4.

[a] No record of births about 1842.

Miscellaneous records included in land records.
Private records: Congregational Church has records that are not found in town clerk's office; in charge of William R. Thurber.

TOWN OF BURLINGTON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1806–1906	No	No.
Land records	22	1806–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics[a]	2	1848–1906	No	Vol. 2.
Selectmen's	1			
School society	2			

[a] Record of Moral Society of Burlington contains record of births and marriages from about 1777 to 1822, with a record of a few families of later date.

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TOWN OF CANAAN, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1740-1906	1760-1765	No.
Land records	25	1740-1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	5	1740-1906	No.	Vol. 5.
Selectmen's	2			
Proprietor's	1	1737-1844		Yes.

[a] No regularity to first records, mostly in family wise. Births and deaths 1800-1849 not recorded to any extent; marriages mostly recorded. Record is good from 1849 to date.

Miscellaneous records: Corporations, writs, and attachments, petitions of foreclosure, record of elections, applicants' admission as electors, register physicians, register embalmers.

TOWN OF CANTERBURY, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1704-1906	No.	No.
Land records	32	1704-1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1704-1906	No.	Yes.
Selectmen's	3			

TOWN OF CANTON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1838-1906	No.	No.
Land records	19	1838-1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1838-1906	No.	No.

Miscellaneous records: Attachments and assignment of wages, 2 volumes.

TOWN OF CHAPLIN, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1822-1906	No.	No.
Land records	10	1822-1906	No.	No.
Vital statistics	8	1852-1906	No [a]	Yes.
Selectmen's [b]	1	1858-1906	Yes	No.
School society	3			
Church		1810-1906		

[a] Four old volumes incomplete. Records complete since 1852. Before then some births, marriages, and deaths were recorded. Some whole families all on one page, others not recorded at all.
[b] Do not know where the record from 1822 to 1858 is.

TOWN OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1767-1906	No.	No.
Land records	42	1767-1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1767-1906	No.	No.
School society	2			

Miscellaneous records: Ear cuts, 1 volume; burial record, 1; record of applicants for admission as voters, 1; joint-stock corporations, 2.

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TOWN OF CHESHIRE, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1780-1906	No	No.
Land records	37	1780-1906	3 vols. [a]	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1780-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			

[a] First three volumes of land records missing since about 1890.

Miscellaneous records: Attachment records; returns of joint-stock companies; oaths of town officers; grand lists.

Church records of First Ecclesiastical Society of Cheshire (vital statistics) are in charge of E. R. Branon, Cheshire.

Attachments and joint-stock companies indexed.

TOWN OF CHESTER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1836-1906	No	
Land records	13	1836-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1847-1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records included in land records.

TOWN OF CLINTON, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1838-1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1838-1906	Complete	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	3	1777-1906	No	Vols. I and III. [b]
School society	1			

[a] Volume 1, parts taken from family records extending back to 1777, but irregular as to years.
[b] Indexes in volumes. State shell fisheries, oyster grounds, attachments also indexed.

Miscellaneous records: Shell fisheries, 1 volume; oyster grounds, 1; electors, 1; justices, jurors, and justice jurors, 1; attachments, 2; abatements, 1; applicants for admission as voters, 1; joint-stock corporations, 1; burial records, 1.

TOWN OF COLCHESTER, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1700-1906	No	No.
Land records	[a] 40	1700-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1700-1906	No	Yes.
Proprietor's	2	1713-1805		

[a] Part of the early records are bound with vital statistics.

TOWN OF COLEBROOK, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings, [a]	1	1856-1906	No	No.
Land records	22	1771-1906	Complete	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1852-1906	No [b]	Yes.
Selectmen's [c]	1			
Proprietor's	[d] 2			

[a] Part with other records.
[b] Previous records mixed in land and justice record.
[c] Begin with original division of land and continue up to vol. 1, regular series.
[d] And a part.

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TOWN OF COLUMBIA, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1804–1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1804–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1847–1906	No	Yes.

TOWN OF CORNWALL, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1770–1906	No	No.
Land records	24	1770–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1740–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	5			
School society	1			
Proprietors'	2	1737–1865		

Miscellaneous records of earmarks, etc.

TOWN OF COVENTRY, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	4	1711–1906	1	No.
Land records	35	1711–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	[b] 1858–1906	No	Yes.
School society [c]				

[a] Miscellaneous volumes.
[b] Vital statistics were kept in miscellaneous records imperfectly up to 1858.
[c] There were two school societies in Coventry until 1855. Since then the town has managed the school.

Vital statistics up to 1840 have been copied by Mrs. H. R. Dimock, of New York.

TOWN OF CROMWELL, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1851–1906	No	No.
Land records	15	1851–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1850–1906	No	Vols. 5 and 6.
School society	5			

Miscellaneous records: Mortgage foreclosures, 1 volume; admission of electors, 3; militia enrollment, 3; burial record, 1; assessors' abstracts, 4; and various other minor miscellaneous records.

TOWN OF DANBURY, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	8	1776–1906	No	No.
Land records	124	1776–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	15	1845–1906	No	Partially.[a]
Selectmen's	1			No.

[a] Vital statistics since 1870 indexed.

TOWN OF DARIEN, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1820–1906	No	No.
Land records	20	1820–1906	No	No.
Vital statistics	4	1820–1906	Yes [a]	No.
School society	1	1795–1855		No.

[a] Births and deaths missing from 1820 to 1847.

Miscellaneous records: Oyster ground records, 4 (town), 1 (State); registry of physicians, 1; abstracts of tax lists, 3.

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TOWN OF DERBY, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1670-1906	No	No.
Land records	85	1670-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	9	[a] 1812-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	4			

[a] Prior to 1812 vital statistics were recorded in land and town records.

Land records, vols. 1 and 2, have been copied by Daughters of Revolution.
General index to vital statistics, 1812-1836; since then volume index.

TOWN OF DURHAM, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1730-1906	All prior to 1730.	No.
Land records [a]	33	1699-1906	Yes	Yes.[b]
Vital statistics [c]	3	1847-1906	Yes	Yes.
Selectmen's	3			
School society	1	1796-1862		
Proprietors [d]				

[a] According to Fowler's history of Durham records existed back to 1662, but no trace can be obtained of them.
[b] Land records have index of grantees; vols. 1-16 partial record of grantors.
[c] Early book of land and proprietors' records contains early vital statistics; some found in town records.
[d] Vol. 1, land records, contains early proprietors' records; earlier proprietors' records are missing. (Fowler.)

Miscellaneous records: Joint stock corporations, 1 volume; earmarks and dog register, 1; electors, 1; attachments, 1; estrays, 1; accounts with families of volunteers, 1; account book of sheep masters of Durham (town flock), 1.

TOWN OF EASTFORD, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1847-1906	No	Yes.
Land records	8	1847-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1847-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			No.
School society	1			No.

Miscellaneous records: Records of attachments, 1 volume; voters made, 1; tax abstract.

TOWN OF EAST GRANBY, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1858-1906	No	No.
Land records	7	1858-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1858-1906	No	1 vol.

Miscellaneous records: Elmwood Cemetery, attachments, 1 volume; elector's meetings, 1 volume.

TOWN OF EAST HADDAM, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1750-1906	No	No.
Land records	44	1750-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1704-1906	No	Partially.[a]
Proprietors'	2	1704		

[a] First sixty years of vital statistics indexed.

Miscellaneous records: Book for earmarks on cattle.

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TOWN OF EAST HARTFORD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1783-1906	No	No.
Land records	46	1783-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1783-1906	No	Yes.
School society	2			

Miscellaneous records: Tax lists and abstracts of taxes; treasurer's accounts; dog registers; military enrollments; burial records; baptisms First Church 1747-1847.

Joseph O. Goodwin, town clerk, has two manuscript lists of deaths, 1742-1880.

TOWN OF EAST HAVEN, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	6	1680-1906	No	No.
Land records	35	1680-1906	No	Vols. 1-27.
Vital statistics [b]	2	1853-1906	Yes	No.
Selectmen's	2			
School district	1			
Proprietors' [c]	2	1737-1784		

[a] Two volumes, 1680-1804, mixed records, town proceedings, vital statistics, proprietors' meetings and votes, 4 volumes town records 1804 to date.

[b] Early records mixed in town records down to 1804; 1804-1853 missing. Some records were destroyed when town hall burned in 1892, 2 volumes 1853.

[c] Mixed with records of town and society meetings.

Miscellaneous records: Real estate attachments; oyster grounds, 2 volumes; burial records, notices from probate court of deceased persons having estate in East Haven; abstracts, 1880 to date.

Dodd's Register, published 1824 by Rev. Stephen Dodd, is compiled from East Haven records, and contains full record of vital statistics down to 1824.

TOWN OF EAST LYME, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1844-1906	No	No.
Land records	15	1844-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]		1784-1906	Yes	No.
School society [b]				
Church [b]				

[a] Births, 1841-1855 missing. Marriages, 1784-1812 copied from records in possession of Moses W. Comstock; 1812-1838 missing; 1839 date, complete. Deaths, 1847 to date complete. Have one volume births, marriages, and deaths which was copied from other books and records.

[b] Recorded in vols. 1 and 2, land records.

TOWN OF EASTON, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1845-1906	No	No.
Land records	8	1845-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1852-1906	1845-1852	Yes.

Parish records of North Fairfield Congregational Society, dating from 1763.

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1768-1906	No	No.
Land records	44	1768-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1851-1906	Yes	No.

Miscellaneous records: Town military records.

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TOWN OF ELLINGTON, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1825–1906	No	No.
Land records	30	1825–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1780–1906	No	No.

The oldest vital statistics have been copied by the town clerk.

TOWN OF ENFIELD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1685–1906	No	No.
Land records	45	1685–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	15	1685–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	6			
School society	2			
Proprietors'	1	1682–3–1745		

Copies of town records, 1685–1850, have been made into a history of Enfield by Francis O. Allen, of Philadelphia, Pa.

The earlier land records contain miscellaneous records.

TOWN OF ESSEX, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1854–1906	No	No.
Land records	17	1852–1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	7	1854–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: One volume each release of tax liens, burial records, petitions of foreclosure, official oaths, registration of physicians, registration of embalmers, joint-stock companies.

TOWN OF FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1827–1906	No	No.
Land records	75	1649–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1847–1906	No	Yes.

Early town records are in land records, and date back to 1664.

The earlier vital statistics are in the early volumes of land records, but up to 1850 the records are extremely meager. There is a book of family records, evidently a copy, running from 1705 to 1835.

There is a general index to land records from vol. 28.

TOWN OF FARMINGTON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1640–1906	No	No.
Land records	75	1640–1906	No	Vols. 33–75.
Vital statistics [a]	3	1640–1906	No	Yes.

[a] Vital statistics in land records from 1640 to 1847.

Miscellaneous records: Some old probate records.

TOWN OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1836–1906	No	No.
Land records	10	1786–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1786–1906	No	Yes.
School society	4	1796		
Church	1	1718	Incomplete.	

Miscellaneous records: Ecclesiastical Society cemetery lots, 1 volume; burial returns; mark and estrays.

Record of marriages 1719–1744; deaths from 1782.

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TOWN OF GLASTONBURY, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1692–1906	No	No.
Land records	47	1692–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1700–1906	No[a]	Yes.
School society	2			
Church	[b]1			

[a] Early records incomplete. [b] Eastbury church.

TOWN OF GOSHEN, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1739–1906	No	No.
Land records	28	1739–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1847–1906	Yes(a)	No.
Selectmen's	4			
School society	1			
Proprietors'	3	1739–1872		

[a] Records were kept in town record book from 1739 to 1828; not kept, 1828–1847.

Miscellaneous records: Corporation records, 1; electors and elections, 1; grand lists; selectmen's reports; manuscript record of Goshen in war of rebellion; centennial address.

There are valuable records of vital statistics in possession of Wilbur H. Norton, Torrington, collected by Lewis M. Norton.

Town records, vol. 1, has been copied and arranged for town by Lewis M. Norton.

TOWN OF GRANBY, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1788–1906	No	Vol. 1.
Land records	36	1788–1906	Vols. 2, 3, 4.[a]	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1829–1906	Yes[b]	No.
School society				No.

[a] Burned in 1877.
[b] No records from 1825–1828. Vital statistics in town records, vol. 1, covering years 1788–1825.

Church records: Salmon Brook Ecclesiastical Society and South Congregational Church record books and cash books.

Miscellaneous records; Wills, 1 volume; Granby Cemetery Association; Salmon Brook Water Company; attachments; burials.

TOWN OF GREENWICH, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1640–1906	No	Index in each.[a]
Land records	110	1640–1906	No	
Vital statistics	6	[b]1849–1906	No	

[a] From 10 to 97. Separate index 12 to 53, inclusive.
[b] The records from 1849 to date are apparently correct. For two hundred years prior to 1849 the records are scattered through different books.

Miscellaneous records: Putnam Cemetery land record; general index oyster grounds, 5; general index corporations, 1.

TOWN OF GRISWOLD, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1815–1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1815–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1815–1906	No	4.
Selectmen's	2			No.
School society	2	1797–1857		

Miscellaneous records: Mark of creatures; wills; enrollment of electors and records of electors' meetings, 1.

Enrollment of electors, 1816–1858, has been copied.

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TOWN OF GROTON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1704-1906	No	No.
Land records	50	1704-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1700-1906	No	1700-1876.

Book of oyster beds was burned in 1894. Many of the deeds have been recopied in the new book provided.

First book of town meetings and vital statistics has been copied by Colby Morgan. Second book of vital statistics copied by J. A. Morgan.

TOWN OF GUILFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	8	1645-1906	No	Vol. G.
Land records	61	1640-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[a] 7	1640-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	8			
School society	5			
Proprietors'	3	1726-1826		Yes.

[a] Includes parts of Vols. A and part of vol. 1, burial records.

Miscellaneous records: Book A, town and court orders, 1645-1665; 4 terriers, a description of each proprietors' land; 2 proprietors' ledgers; 3 volumes oyster grounds; 1 volume records of civil authority, 1817-1835; 1 volume joint stock corporations; 1 volume tax liens; 1 volume fourth division account; 1 volume town accounts, 1872-1903.

About 100 pages of proprietors' records relating to the Hammonassett quarter will be found at the Connecticut Historical Society.

Deacon Burgess's "Bill of Mortality" is in the town clerk's office loaned by Dr. Bernard C. Steiner.

TOWN OF HADDAM, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1666-1906	No	No.
Land records	48	1666-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	[a] 1848-1906	No	Yes.
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1	1729-1795		

[a] Incomplete records of births, marriages and deaths, 1666-1806, which were kept in old books of deeds, and have been copied into a book. There is a book of marriages from 1807 to 1848, but no births or deaths. Town clerk thinks the records were kept by the church until 1848.

Miscellaneous records: Military enrollment; electors; abatements.

TOWN OF HAMDEN, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1786-1906	No	No.
Land records	56	1786-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	8	[a] 1786-1906	No	Partially.
Selectmen's	1			
School society	3			

[a] Early records in vol. 1, town records (1786) but considerably mixed and not consecutive.

Miscellaneous records: Annual statements of manufacturing companies, tax lists, etc.
Vol. 1, town records, has been copied by the town clerk.

TOWN OF HAMPTON, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1786-1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1786-1906	No	Since 1882.
Vital statistics	3	1786-1906	No[a]	No.
School society	1			
Miscellaneous (attachments and releases)	1			

[a] Some are not complete in 1840-1850. Records in town proceedings from 1786-1800.

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TOWN OF HARTFORD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1635-1906	No	No.
Land records	321	1639-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	28	1820-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1	1799-1832		

[a] All records were removed to board of health in 1896. There are 28 volumes in all at that office. Vol. 1, record of marriages from 1820 to 1857. This book contains a few records of births and some genealogical records. From 1847 to 1852 births, marriages, and deaths are in one volume; from 1852 to date in separate volumes. Vital statistics prior to 1847, except such meager statistics as are contained in vol. 1, record of marriages, and such as are scattered through early volumes of land records in the office of the town clerk, are missing.

Volume 1, town votes, 1635-1716, has been copied and printed. It was published by the Connecticut Historical Society in 1897.

Miscellaneous records: Joint stock corporations, 16 volumes; cemetery records, 14; attachments, 5; city records, 1; returns of elections, 5; electors made from 1797 to date, 5; assignment of wages, 5; executions, 1857-1891; electors' meetings, 1797-1904, 1; abatement of taxes, 3; distributions, 1639-1688, 1.

Several boxes which came from selectmen's office after consolidation of town and city in 1896 are stored in one of the upper rooms of the halls of record.

Proprietors' records are scattered through several volumes of land records and town votes. There is one volume in custody of State librarian.

TOWN OF HARTLAND, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1761-1906	No	
Land records	17	1761-1906	No	
Vital statistics	3	1780-1906	No [a]	
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1			

[a] Incomplete prior to 1855.

TOWN OF HARWINTON, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1788-1906	No	No.
Land records	26	1737-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	2	1738-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			No.
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1	1732-1756		

[a] Early records were recorded in land records, and are very incomplete. They have been copied into the first volume of vital statistics.

Miscellaneous records: Treasurer's; attachments; levies.

TOWN OF HEBRON, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	8	1708-1906	No	No.
Land records	28	1708-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[b] 9	1708-1906	No	4 vols.
School society	3			
Proprietors'	2	1701(2)-1744		
Church	1	1747-1787		

[a] Town-meeting records also contain vital statistics.
[b] They also contain town-meeting records from 1791-1827.

Miscellaneous records: Three volumes, electors admitted; registered physicians, 1; town orders, 1; abatements, 1.

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TOWN OF HUNTINGTON, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1790–1906	No	No.
Land records	47	1789–1906	No	Vols. 1–10.
Vital statistics	2	[a] 1848–1906	No	No.

[a] An old book has some births and marriages recorded between 1790 and 1848, but no deaths. Vol. 10, land records, has marriages recorded about 1825.

Miscellaneous records: Riverside Cemetery deed; joint stock corporations.

TOWN OF KENT, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1739–1906	No	No.
Land records	31	1739–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1739–1906	No [a]	Yes.
Proprietors'	1	1739–1782		
Church (Congregational)	1			

[a] Vital statistics not complete.

TOWN OF KILLINGLY, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1709–1906	No	No.
Land records	62	1709–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1709–1906	Yes [a]	Yes.
School society	3			
Proprietors'	1	1720–1773		

[a] Years 1800–1849 not kept.

One volume of early vital statistics has been copied by Anthony Ames.

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1740–1906	No	No.
Land records	37	1740–1906	No. 1	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	[a] 1848–1906		No.
Selectmen's	3			
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1	1735		
Church	1			

[a] Earlier vital statistics in land, town, and proprietors' records. Books 1 to 12, land records, contain proprietors' records.

Miscellaneous records: Burial records; attachments; registered physicians; list of electors.
Earlier town records in land and proprietors' records.

TOWN OF LEBANON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1682–1906	No	No.
Land records [a]	45	1700–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1700–1906	No	No.
Selectmen's	2			
School society	4			

[a] Volumes 1 and 2 contain proprietors' records.

Miscellaneous records: Probate and family records; ancient earmarks, 1; burials, 1.
Town clerk has private record of vital statistics from 1700 to date.
The first 14 volumes land records have a general index; and the remainder, volume indexes.

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TOWN OF LEDYARD, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1836-1904	No	No.
Land records	11	1836-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1836-1904	Yes [a]	Yes.
School society			Incomplete.	

[a] Not very complete from 1836 to 1855.

TOWN OF LISBON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1833-1906	Vol. 1	No.
Land records	11	1786-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1771-1906	Yes [a]	Yes.

[a] One complete, 1 incomplete. Some entries about 1830-1850 in a book which also contains certain records of the admission of electors. Vital statistics, vol. 1, is being copied by the town clerk.

Miscellaneous records: Earmarks, 1 volume; attachments, 1; probate certificates, 1; tax liens, 1.

TOWN OF LITCHFIELD, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1720-1906	No	No.
Land records	80	1720-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1723-1906	No	Yes.
School society (incomplete)				

Town proceedings are scattered through 5 books, with births, marriages, and deaths.
Proprietors' records are mixed in with land records and start from incorporation of town.
D. C. Kilbourn has record of births, marriages, and deaths of Litchfield. Vital statistics prior to 1800 have been printed by George Woodruff.

TOWN OF LYME, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1665-1906	No	No.
Land records	[a] 45	1665-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics [b]	5	1743-1906	No [c]	Yes.
School society	1			No.
Church, First Congregational [d]	1			

[a] Also a book which was used in the early history of the town for the record of land grants made by the town to individuals, usually by vote at town meetings. Some of these grants are also recorded in the regular land records, and others are mentioned in the regular town-meeting records. One part of the "Book of Grants" was reserved for earmarks, and is so used up to the present time. Many other earmarks are recorded in the early volumes of land records.
[b] Vital statistics prior to 1743 are in land records.
[c] No volumes are missing, but there are several years during which no entries were made, and for about forty years, beginning about 1725, little but marriages can be found recorded.
[d] Earlier book of church records in town clerk's keeping.

Miscellaneous records: Tax abstracts; register of physicians; register of embalmers; dog register; admission of electors and burial records; land grants, and earmarks.

TOWN OF MADISON, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1826-1906	No	No.
Land records	26	1826-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1826-1906	No [a]	No.
School society	1			No.

[a] Very incomplete until 1852.

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TOWN OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1823-1906	No	No.
Land records	37	1823-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	7	1847-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	8			

Miscellaneous records: Real estate attachments, 2 volumes; wills and distributions of real estate, 2; corporation records, 3; record of applicants to be made voters; military enrollment; record of electors; women electors; treasurer's records, 4; town deposit fund, 1; abatement lists; burial records; register of physicians; statements of foreclosures, 1; cemetery records, 2; tax lists since 1875; tax abstracts, bound, since 1893.

TOWN OF MANSFIELD, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1703-1906	No	No.
Land records	44	1703-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	8	1703-1906	No	Yes.
Proprietors'	2	1703	No	Yes.

Vital statistics, 1703-1850, have been copied by Mrs. H. F. Dimock.

TOWN OF MARLBORO, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1803-1906	No	No.
Land records	7	1803-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1787-1906	No	Partially.

Miscellaneous records: Four volumes. Leases, wills, distributions and assignments of mortgages; 1 volume probate notices.

TOWN OF MERIDEN, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1806-1906	No	No.
Land records	112	1806-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	18	1806-1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Liens, 31 volumes; release of liens, 7; attachments, 4; leases, 2; joint stock, 6; burials, 1.

TOWN OF MIDDLEBURY, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1807-1906	No	No.
Land records	16	1807-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1847-1906	No	Yes.

TOWN OF MIDDLEFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1866-1906	No	No.
Land records	5	1866-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1866-1906	No	No.
School society (Society of Middlefield in a school capacity). [a]	2			

[a] The earliest book of Society of Middlefield contains matters relating to schools and church.

Miscellaneous records: Corporations, 1 volume; attachments (indexed), 1; account of town treasurer, 1; military enrollment, 1.

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TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1654–1906	No	No.
Land records	138	1654–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	12	1654–1906	No	Yes.
School society	2			

Early vital statistics have been copied by present town clerk.

TOWN OF MILFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	6	1696–1906	No	No.
Land records	67	1639–1906	No	Vols. 1–50.
Vital statistics	7	[a] 1653–1906	Yes	No.
School society		Incomplete.		
Church (First Congregational)				

[a] Very few entries from 1800 to 1847.

Miscellaneous records: Oyster grounds; maps; joint-stock companies; attachments; tax liens; military enrollments; assessors' lists and abstracts.

Vital statistics, vol. 1, has been copied by Minnie Tiballo.

George F. Platt or N. Dwight Platt, of Milford, has valuable private records of vital statistics.

TOWN OF MONROE, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1823–1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1823–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1823–1906	Yes [a]	No.

[a] Vital statistics are very incomplete.

TOWN OF MONTVILLE, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1786–1906	No	No.
Land records	28	1786–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1852–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1	1851–1876		
School society	1	1796		
Church (Society of Chesterfield)	1			

Miscellaneous records: Electors admitted; one book of records of the distribution of Mohegan Indian lands.

TOWN OF MORRIS, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1859–1906	No	No.
Land records	5	1859–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1859–1906	No	Yes.

TOWN OF NAUGATUCK, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1848–1906	No	No.
Land records	43	1848–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	11	1848–1906	No	1884–1904.

Miscellaneous records: Joint-stock companies, 2; list of voters, 3; maps of building plots, highways, etc.

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TOWN OF NEW BRITAIN, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1850-1906	No	No.
Land records	[a] 141	1783-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	[b] 23	1850-1906	No	Yes.

[a] This includes 34 volumes Berlin, 1783-1850.
[b] Also 1 volume marriages, 1820-1850 (Berlin).

Miscellaneous records: Assignments, of wages, 5 volumes; list of electors made, 2; cemetery deeds, 3; corporations, 5; city liens, 2; city and town tax liens, 7; assessors' lists, 52.

New Britain was set off in 1850 from the town of Berlin, and all of the records of the town of Berlin were given to New Britain.

TOWN OF NEW CANAAN, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1801-1906	No	No.
Land records	26	1801-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1852-1904	Yes	No.

TOWN OF NEW FAIRFIELD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1868-1906	No	No.
Land records	8	1868-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1868-1906	No	Yes.
Miscellaneous	1			

TOWN OF NEW HARTFORD, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1739-1906	No	No.
Land records	29	1739-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	7	[a] 1739-1906	Yes	1875-1906.
Proprietors'	1	1732-1809		

[a] Earliest records of vital statistics are found in town records, vols. 1 and 2, but they are incomplete and unsatisfactory. There are no records to amount to anything from 1825 to 1848.

TOWN OF NEW HAVEN, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	7	1638-1906	No	No.
Land records	601	1679-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	53	1649-1906	Yes	Yes.
Proprietors'	2	1724-1771		

Miscellaneous records: Oyster records; attachments; vessel liens; tax liens; personal-property records; leases; judgment liens and petitions of foreclosure; electors made.

Land records have been copied by town clerks.

TOWN OF NEWINGTON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1870-1906	No	No.
Land records	9	1870-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1871-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1	1870-1906		

Miscellaneous records: Attachments 1 volume; qualified electors, 1.

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TOWN OF NEW LONDON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	6	1647-1906	1666-1694	No.
Land records	104	1654-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	16	1644-1906	No	Yes.
Proprietors' [a]				

[a] Land records, vols. 1 and 2, contain proprietors' records.

Miscellaneous records: Two books, 1647-1666, 1664-1703, town records, deeds, grants, probate records, wills, and court records; 1 book of deeds of rights in land granted to sufferers by British invasion; in Revolutionary war; liquor licenses, 1814-1833, 1; attachments, real estate, 4; foreclosure, 1; electors admitted, 5; town treasurer's journal, 1; wills and distributions, 1; abatements, 1; tax liens, 4; vessel liens, 1; corporations, 3; assignment of wages, 1; shell fisheries, 1.

Vital statistics, 1644-1853, have been copied by authority of city court.

TOWN OF NEW MILFORD, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1713-1906	No	No.
Land records	67	1707-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[a] 12	1713-1906		9 vols.
School society	1	1802-1856		
Proprietors'	1	1706-1803		
Church	[b] 5			

[a] Early records kept in last part of land records, vols. 2 to 13, all but one being indexed. There are 12 volumes of vital statistics exclusively, of which 3 are not indexed. The records commence in 1713.

[b] Three volumes of church records of First Ecclesiastical Society; 2 volumes of records of meetings of said society.

Miscellaneous records: Electors, 1 volume; stock corporations, 2; attachments, 2.

Proprietors' records have been copied by Elisha Bostwick, proprietors' clerk.

TOWN OF NEWTOWN, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	8	1707-1906	No	No.
Land records	59	1707-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	9	1712-1906	Yes [a]	1852-1870.
Selectmen's	23			
School society	3			
Proprietors'	1			

[a] Births are missing from 1820 to 1848. Vital statistics from first records until about 1800 not indexed.

Miscellaneous records: Tax liens and discharge records; attachments; physicians' register; sextons returns; 1 volume probate certificates.

TOWN OF NORFOLK, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1750-1906	No	No.
Land records	26	1750-1906	No	Vols. 15-24.
Vital statistics	5	1750-1906	No	No.
School society	1			
Proprietors'	2	1750-1780		

There are copies of two volumes of vital statistics by H. W. Carter.

TOWN OF NORTH BRANFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1831-1906	No	
Land records	11	1831-1906	No	
Vital statistics	3	1831-1906	No	
School society	1			
Church	3	[a] 1769		

[a] Records of Congregational Church, North Branford, vol. 1 commences 1769; vol. 2, 1809; vol. 3, 1868.

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TOWN OF NORTH CANAAN, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1858-1906	No	No.
Land records	10	1858-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1868-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1855-1906	Vol. 1	No.
Land records	33	1786-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1865-1906	Yes [a]	Vol. 5.
Selectmen's	1			

[a] Some were destroyed by fire in 1865. Only a scattered record before then, but since then complete.

TOWN OF NORTH STONINGTON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1808-1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1808-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1808-1906	No	No.
Selectmen's	2			No.
School society [a]	1	1798-1857		No.

[a] One school society, north district, one book of records of school society of north district in Stonington and records of school society and district in North Stonington.

Miscellaneous records: Electors' books, 3; town treasurers' books, 2; executions, 1 (indexed).

TOWN OF NORWALK, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1653-1906	No	No.
Land records	114	1672-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	8	[a]1672-1906	No	5 vols.
School society	2			
Proprietors'	1	1736-1802		

[a] Marriages begin 1820; births and deaths, 1848. Vital statistics are found in land records to about 1815.

Miscellaneous records: Register of cattle; record of burials; military enrollment; assignments of wages, 1 volume; abatement of taxes; voting lists; State oyster grounds, 1; corporation records, 2. Vol. 1, town proceedings, and land records, vols. 1 to 3, have been copied by Annie E. Smith.

TOWN OF NORWICH, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	8	1670-1904	No	No.
Land records	128	1670-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	21	1640-1904	No	Yes.
School society	5			
Proprietors'	1	1659-1745		

TOWN OF OLD LYME, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1855-1906	No	No.
Land records	6	1855-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1856-1906	No	Yes.
School society			Incomplete.	

Miscellaneous records: Attachments, 1 volume; licensed dogs, 1.
Attachments, indexed.

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TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1854-1906	No	No.
Land records	14	1854-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1854-1906	No	No.
School society	3			

Joseph M. Pratt has a record of deaths from 1783 to 1879.

TOWN OF ORANGE, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1882-1906	No	No.
Land records	60	1822-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[a] 6	1822-1906	No	Last 3 vols.

[a] One volume of record of marriages from 1822 to 1852, with a few births and deaths; 5 volumes births, marriages, and deaths.

TOWN OF OXFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1798-1906	No	No.
Land records	28	1798-1906	Vol. 20	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1798-1906	No	No.

TOWN OF PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	6	1699-1906	No	No.
Land records	30	1699-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	9	1695-1906	No [a]	No.

[a] Three volumes have been copied into 1 volume, covering from 1695 to 1835. There are about ten years in which the births are not complete.

TOWN OF PLAINVILLE, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1869-1906	No	No.
Land records	[a] 14	1869-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	1	1869-1906	No	Yes.

[a] Vols. 3, 7, 8, 12, and 13 contain deeds, town records, and miscellaneous General index to all documents relating to land, including tax liens, attachments, distributions, certificates.

Miscellaneous records: Highways, 1 volume; attachments, 1; electors admitted, 1; military enrollment, 1; women registered, 1; cemetery deeds, 1; burial records, 1; physicians registered, 1; dog taxes, 1.

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1795-1906	No	No.
Land records	43	1795-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics [a]	9	1795-1906	Yes	No.
Selectmen's	4			No.
School society	1			

[a] Some in part used for miscellaneous. There are but few entries from 1825 to 1847.

Miscellaneous records: History and list of soldiers from Plymouth in war of rebellion; book of ballots cast each year since 1859.

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TOWN OF POMFRET, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1715-1906	No	No.
Land records	25	1715-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1711-1906	No	No.
School society			Incomplete.	
Proprietors'	1	1715-1767		

All vital statistics prior to 1825, proprietors' records, and doings of town meetings to 1788, and some old manuscripts have been copied.

TOWN OF PORTLAND, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1841-1906	No	No.
Land records	19	1841-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1848-1906	No [a]	Yes.

[a] Very incomplete prior to 1870.

TOWN OF PRESTON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1692-1906	No	No.
Land records	32	1687-1906	No	Yes. [a]
Vital statistics	9	1684-1906	No	Partly. [b]
School society [c]	3			
Proprietors' [d]				
Church	[e] 1			

[a] Land records, 1 to 10; general index; from vol. 10, volume index.
[b] Three volumes, dated 1852, not indexed.
[c] First, second, third, and fourth district records; treasurers' books of districts 1 and 2.
[d] Land records, vol. 1, contains Indian deeds, proprietors' agreements, and early land data.
[e] Record of marriages from early church records.

Miscellaneous records: Earmarks, 1 volume; certificate of attachments; enrollment of freemen; receipts from wives of volunteers for money; assignment of wages.

TOWN OF PROSPECT, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1827-1906	No	No.
Land records	9	1827-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1827-1906	No [a]	No.
School society	1			

[a] Vital statistics very incomplete prior to 1850.

Miscellaneous records: Town deposit fund.

TOWN OF PUTNAM, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1856-1906	No	No.
Land records	27	1856-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1856-1906	No	Yes.

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TOWN OF REDDING, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1767–1906	No	No.
Land records	29	1767–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1767–1906	Yes [a]	No.

[a] No vital statistics from about 1812 to 1850.

TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1711–1906	No	No.
Land records	38	1708–1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	6	1708–1906	No [a]	No.
School society	1			
Proprietors' [b]		1708		

[a] Vital statistics not perfect up to 1852; since then they are about complete.
[b] Proprietors' records are in land records.

TOWN OF ROCKY HILL, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1843–1906	No	No.
Land records	15	1843–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[a] 2	1847–1906	No	Yes.

[a] Also one record copied from church by vote of the town, dating back to 1765.

TOWN OF ROXBURY, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1796–1906	1819–1846	No.
Land records	20	1796–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1852–1906	No [a]	No.
School society		1796–1855		

[a] The records from 1796 to 1852 have been written up by the town clerk.

TOWN OF SALEM, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1819–1906	No	No.
Land records	7	1819–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1819–1906	No	Yes.
School society	1			

Miscellaneous records: Real-estate attachments, 1 volume; electors' meetings, 1.

TOWN OF SALISBURY, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1740–1906	1784–1804	No.
Land records	40	1740–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1740–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1			
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1	1739–1835		

Miscellaneous records: Records of justice's courts, 1 volume; joint stock corporations, 1; Salisbury cemetery deed, 1; electors admitted, 1; list of women entitled to vote, 1; registered physicians, 1; returns made by sextons, 1; attachments of real estate, 1; petitions of foreclosure, 1.

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TOWN OF SAYBROOK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1667–1906	Vol. 3	No.
Land records	46	1667–1906	1635–1667	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	4	1772–1906	Yes	Yes.
Selectmen's	6			
School society	6			
Proprietors' [b]	3			

[a] Also the family records scattered over the first volumes of land records.
[b] Two volumes Oyster River quarter, 1666–1836; one volume Pettapauge quarter, 1670–1726.

Miscellaneous records: Record of electors and electors' meetings.
First volumes of land records, kept in the fort at Saybrook, were destroyed.
Land records, vol. 1, copied by John Marvin, and town acts, vol. 1, by Frederick L'Hommedieu, are in the State Library, Hartford. Vols. 2 to 4, copied by Frederick L'Hommedieu, are in the town vault. Vol. 1 is being copied for the town.

TOWN OF SCOTLAND, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1857–1906	No	No.
Land records	5	1857–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1857–1906	No	Vol. 2.
School society	1			
Church (Congregational)	2	1735–1811 (2)		

TOWN OF SEYMOUR, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1850–1906	No	No.
Land records	19	1850–1906	No	Vols. 1–14.
Vital statistics	3	1850–1906	No	No.

TOWN OF SHARON, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1788–1906	Yes [a]	No.
Land records	34	1723–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1738–1906	Yes [b]	Yes.
Selectmen's	2			
Proprietors' [c]	5	1738–1884		

[a] Town proceedings were kept in land records up to 1788. No record from 1796 to 1814.
[b] Early records of vital statistics were recorded in land records. No records from 1851 to 1855; 1855 to date complete.
[c] The five volumes of proprietors' records are counted as land records, vol. 1.

TOWN OF SHERMAN, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1818–1906	Yes [a]	No.
Land records	11	1803–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1852–1906	No [b]	No.

[a] Vols. 1, 2, and 3, containing records prior to 1818, are missing.
[b] Some earlier vital statistics in old town records.

School society: Some in old town records.
Proprietors': Vol. 1, land records, contains lay-outs by proprietors' committees.

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TOWN OF SIMSBURY, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	8	1665–1906	No	No.
Land records	47	1665–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1691–1906	(a)	Yes.
Selectmen's	3			
School society	2			

[a] No record of births from 1828 to 1847; vital statistics are scattered through town proceedings.

Miscellaneous records: Electors and electors' meetings.

Seven volumes of town proceedings contain births, marriages, and deaths, and miscellaneous records as well as records of town meetings.

There is a general index to land records since 1850.

The town is having recopied all the old volumes and the originals are being rebound.

TOWN OF SOMERS, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1727–1906	No.	No.
Land records	23	1727–1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1727–1906	No.	Yes.
Church [a]	3	1727–1906		

[a] Records of Congregational Church, containing church, parish, and vital statistics records from 1727 to 1747 and 1769 to date.

Two small books of vital statistics have been copied by Solomon Fuller.

TOWN OF SOUTHBURY, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1787–1906	No.	No.
Land records	24	1787–1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1848–1906	No.	Yes.
Selectmen's	5			
School society	1			
Miscellaneous	7			

There is a copy of a list of voters.

TOWN OF SOUTHINGTON, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1779–1906	No.	No.
Land records	50	1779–1906	No.	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	9	1847–1906	No [a]	Vols. 3–9.
School society	2			

[a] Marriages commence 1820.

Miscellaneous records: Joint-stock returns since 1850; admission of electors since 1817.

TOWN OF SOUTH WINDSOR, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1846–1906	No.	No.
Land records	17	1846–1906	No.	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1846–1906	No.	Partially. [a]
Selectmen's	2			
School society	1			

[a] Vital statistics, 1853–1893, indexed.

Miscellaneous records: Highway and line records; soldiers in war of rebellion.

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TOWN OF SPRAGUE, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1860–1906	No	No.
Land records	5	1861–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics [a]	4	1861–1906	No	Yes.
Miscellaneous (conditional bills of sale)	1			

[a] Records of births outside of town recorded in these records.

TOWN OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	[a] 1861–1906	No	No.
Land records	45	1719–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	[b] 13	1719–1906	No	No.
Proprietors'	1	1725–1812		

[a] Town proceedings before 1861 are recorded in land records.
[b] Vital statistics commence in 1719. They are recorded in land records, vols. 1 and 2, and in 13 volumes of vital statistics.

TOWN OF STAMFORD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1630–1906	No	No.
Land records	108	1666–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	11	1600–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Electors admitted; oyster records, 5 volumes.
First two volumes of town meetings have been copied.

TOWN OF STERLING, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1794–1906	No	No.
Land records	13	1794–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1794–1906	No	
Selectmen's	1			

TOWN OF STONINGTON, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	7	1660–1906	No	No.
Land records	53	1660–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	16	1660–1906	No	9 vols.

Miscellaneous records: Executions, attachments.
Several volumes of vital statistics have been copied into indexed books. There is a copy of town votes in the State Library.

TOWN OF STRATFORD, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	5	1697–1904	No	No.
Land records	65	1697–1906	No	Vols. 42–65.
Vital statistics	4	1697–1906	1780–1850	Yes.
Proprietors' [b]				
Church (First Ecclesiastical)		1813–1873		

[a] Vol. 1 contains both town and land.
[b] Part of vol. 5 contains records of laying out of highways by proprietors' committees, 1736–1760.

Miscellaneous records: Oyster grounds.
All records have been copied by Bridgeport Land and Title Company.

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TOWN OF SUFFIELD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1670–1906	No	No.
Land records	43	1670–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1682–1906	No	No.
Proprietors'	2	1716–1821		No.

TOWN OF THOMASTON, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1875–1906	No	Yes.
Land records	12	1875–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1875–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Assignment of wages, 2 volumes; physicians' record book; embalmers' record book; burial record; bodies removed from old cemetery, 1; grand lists and votings lists. Assignment records also indexed as entries are made.

TOWN OF THOMPSON, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1785–1906	No	No.
Land records	34	1785–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1785–1906	No [a]	Yes.
School society	1			

[a] No volumes missing, but many of the earliest vital statistics are not recorded.

Miscellaneous records: Road record; treasurer's accounts; abstract of taxes from 1780 to date; licensed physicians; electors admitted; burial records; abatement of taxes; attachments; record of mortgages on personal property; embalmers' register.

TOWN OF TOLLAND, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1714–1906	No	No.
Land records	37	1714–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1749–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Account books and abstract books.
Two volumes of vital statistics have been copied by Edwin S. Agard.

TOWN OF TORRINGTON, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1737–1906	No	No.
Land records	53	1740–1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	8	1747–1906	No [a]	Yes.

[a] Many omissions in earlier volumes.

School society: Cash book of Torrington School Society.
Miscellaneous records: Joint-stock companies; enrollment; abatements; electors; justices of the peace; electors' meetings; attachments; voting lists.
Judge Gideon H. Welsh has recently discovered the lost records of the early town, among which are the records of the town meeting which was held December 9, 1740. These records also contain many early vital statistics nowhere else recorded, and practically complete the series of records of town meetings from 1737 to date, and are a valuable acquisition to the early historical records of the town of Torrington.

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TOWN OF TRUMBULL, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1797-1906	No	No.
Land records	17	1797-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1849-1906	No	Yes.
Church		[a] 1750		

[a] These are the oldest records in town.

There is a copy of church records.

TOWN OF UNION, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1756-1906	No [a]	No.
Land records	15	1736-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	[b] 1755-1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	1			
School society	2	1796		
Proprietors'	1	1729-1734		
Church [d]				

[a] Town proceedings recorded in land records, 1736-1755; 1743 may be missing.
[b] Vital statistics were recorded in land records previous to 1755.
[c] These records relate to doings of society, church records, marriages, etc.

Miscellaneous records: Court, burial, town deposit, dogs licensed, voters or electors admitted, etc.

TOWN OF VERNON, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1808-1906	No	No.
Land records	42	1808-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	9	1808-1904	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	12			
School society (South school district)	1			

Miscellaneous records: Grand lists; returns of corporations; articles of associations; records of electors; women voters; 2 volumes attachments.
Pages 1 to 20, vol. 13, land records, missing.

TOWN OF VOLUNTOWN, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1721-1906	No	No.
Land records	23	1721-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1721-1906	No	Partially.

Miscellaneous records: Attachments, 2 volumes; physicians' certificates to practice, 1; embalmers, 1.

TOWN OF WALLINGFORD, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	6	1711-1906	No	No.
Land records	101	1711-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1800-1906	No [a]	Yes.
School society	3			
Proprietors'	3	1714-1784		
Church	[b] 1			
Miscellaneous (earmarks and estrays)	2			

[a] Vital statistics were recorded in land records up to 1800; 1800 to 1852 the records are very poor.
[b] School and church.

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TOWN OF WARREN, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1807-1906	No	No.
Land records	15	1786-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1765-1906	No	Yes.

TOWN OF WASHINGTON, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1876-1906	No	No.
Land records	34	1779-1906	No [a]	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1846-1906	([b])	Yes.

[a] Vols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, and 25 contain also town and miscellaneous records and vital statistics.
[b] Vital statistics are complete only since 1872.

There is one volume of private records of births, marriages, and deaths in town clerk's office.

TOWN OF WATERBURY, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1686-1906	No	No.
Land records	185	1686-1906	No	Gen. index.
Vital statistics	23	1686-1906	No	Partially.

Miscellaneous records: City liens; tax liens; town, city, and school districts; joint-stock companies; leases; assignments; wills and distributions, 1 volume; record of electors.
Land records are indexed, grantors and grantees; also general index to vols. 20 to 185. Vital statistics are indexed from 1878 to date.
Vol. 1, family records, and vol. 1, town meetings and highways, have been copied by B. F. Howland.

TOWN OF WATERFORD, COUNTY OF NEW LONDON.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1802-1906	No	No.
Land records	30	1802-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1802-1906	No	1 vol.
Selectmen's	2			
School society	1			

Miscellaneous records: Tax liens, 1; jurors, 1; oyster-ground records; freeman book; licensed physicians; attachments, 2 volumes.
Tax liens and one volume of attachments are indexed.

TOWN OF WATERTOWN, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1780-1906	No	No.
Land records	34	1780-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1780-1906	No [a]	Yes.
School society	1			

[a] Records are very incomplete prior to 1850.

TOWN OF WESTBROOK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1840-1906	No	No.
Land records	10	1840-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	3	1840-1906	No	No.
School society	2			

Miscellaneous records: Wills, 1; attachments, 2; assessment lists since 1840.

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TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1854-1906	No	No.
Land records	19	1854-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1854-1906	No	No.
Selectmen's	2			
School society	4			

Miscellaneous records: Wills and distributions, 1 volume; attachments, 1; cemetery deeds, 1; burial records, 1; tax lists, bound, 21; tax abstracts, 50; electors admitted, 1; applicants for admission as voters, 2; joint-stock corporations, 1; board of relief actions, 1; physicians registered, 1; embalmers' register, 1; appointment of jurors and minor officers, 1; abatement of taxes, 1; liens, 1.

TOWN OF WESTON, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1879-1906	No	No.
Land records	28	1788-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	2	1847-1906	Yes [a]	No.
School society	1			

[a] Vital statistics, vol. 1, 1847-1868, very imperfect. There are some old family records in land records, vol. 6.

TOWN OF WESTPORT, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1835-1906	No	No.
Land records	26	1835-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1848-1906	No [a]	Partially.
Selectmen's	4			
Miscellaneous (oyster-ground records)	5			

[a] Up to about thirty years ago vital statistics were not carefully reported, and the records are therefore not complete.

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1640-1904	No	No.
Land records	57	1640-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	6	1690-1904		Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Attachments and liens, 1 volume; wills and distributions, 1; tax liens, 1; burial records, 1; burial lots, 1.

Some vital statistics are missing; there are a few records in volumes 1 and 2, land records.

Vital statistics, vol. 1, has been copied by E. S. Tillotson.

TOWN OF WILLINGTON, COUNTY OF TOLLAND.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1720-1906	No	No.
Land records	25	1720-1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	7	1720-1906	No	No.
School society	2			
Miscellaneous (cattle marks)	1			

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TOWN OF WILTON, COUNTY OF FAIRFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	2	1853–1906	No	No.
Land records	27	1802–1906	No	Partially.
Vital statistics	10	[b] 1821–1906	No	4 vols.
Selectmen's [c]	[d] 8			

[a] Town and land records were kept in same book prior to 1853.
[b] Records incomplete before 1860.
[c] Many old ones packed away in various places.
[d] One volume of electors indexed.

Miscellaneous records: Tax abstracts, list of electors' abatements, licenses, etc.

TOWN OF WINCHESTER, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	5	1771–1904	No	No.
Land records	45	1771–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	5	1848–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	5			
School society	1			
Proprietors'	1	1729–1904		

Pamphlet containing original lay out of highways by proprietors' committees is also on file in this office.

TOWN OF WINDHAM, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	4	1686–1904	No	No.
Land records	76	1692–1906	No	Partly.
Vital statistics	12	1692–1906	No	Yes.
Selectmen's	6			
Proprietors'	1			

Miscellaneous records: Records of genealogy; treasurer's record; electors' record; sheep earmarks; tax abstracts from about 1820.

Vital statistics from 1692 copied under index system by C. H. Dimmick. Land records indexed from 1800.

TOWN OF WINDSOR, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	7	1640–1906	No	No.
Land records	64	1640–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1640–1906	No	No.

TOWN OF WINDSOR LOCKS, COUNTY OF HARTFORD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	2	1854–1906	No	No.
Land records	13	1854–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1854–1906	No	Yes.

Miscellaneous records: Treasurers' ledgers; joint-stock corporation returns; attachments of real estate.

TOWN OF WOLCOTT, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	1	1804–1906	No	No.
Land records	16	1796–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	1	1846–1906		Yes.

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TOWN OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY OF NEW HAVEN.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	3	1784–1906	No	No.
Land records	[a] 27	1784–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1797–1906	No [b]	Yes.
Church	3			

[a] Including 16 books of the old town records which are also land records.
[b] No volumes are missing, but the records of early years are very imperfect.

Miscellaneous records: Wills and distributions, 1 volume; attachments, 2; electors and electors' meetings, 2; joint-stock corporations, 1.
Records of First Ecclesiastical Society of the parish of Amity run from 1773 to 1903, also church records dating back to 1738, and 1 volume records of church meetings, 1742–1843.

TOWN OF WOODBURY, COUNTY OF LITCHFIELD.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings [a]	6	1683–1906	No	No.
Land records	60	1683–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1683–1906	No [b]	Yes.
School society	Partial.			
Proprietors'	1			
Miscellaneous	25			

[a] Records are very incomplete in earlier years.
[b] Records commence about 1683. Some are mixed in with land records and other blank spaces. They are not complete from 1800 to 1855.

Land records contain highway records, vital statistics, etc.
Barnes's "Mortality Record" has been printed.

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK, COUNTY OF WINDHAM.

Kind of records.	Volumes.	Years.	Missing.	Indexed.
Town proceedings	7	1692–1906	No	No.
Land records	37	1749–1906	No	Yes.
Vital statistics	4	1690–1906	No	No.
Selectmen's	3	1773–1906		
School society	3	1795–1875		
Proprietors'	1	1686–1795		

Daniel Lyon, Chicago, has private records of vital statistics of Woodstock.

NOTE.—In many cases where it appears that the land records are not indexed a partial index exists by volumes, but of doubtful value to the record searcher.

It will be noted in the foregoing schedules that prior to about 1848 to 1850 the records of vital statistics are very incomplete. Up to that time the laws regulating their return had been in force practically unchanged from colonial times, and were meager in scope and rarely enforced. About 1850 a change was effected and a statute, practically the one now in force, was enacted, and since that date the records are very complete. It will also be found that from about 1800 to 1847 many records are missing.

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PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF DELAWARE.

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SOME GENERAL REMARKS.

There is probably no State in the Union where one would find less material for writing its history than in Delaware, and there is certainly no one of the original thirteen in which so few records have been made and where so little care has been taken of those that have been made. That there have been so few records to be cared for is due mainly to the fact that the Delaware colony was a bone of contention between European countries or neighboring colonies from the time it was first planted by the Swedes until 1732, when the Baltimores surrendered their claims to what is now Delaware and southern Pennsylvania. The accounts of the earliest settlements are to be found in Sweden and Holland, while those of the next succeeding era must be sought among the archives of New York, at Albany; of Pennsylvania, at Harrisburg, and of Maryland, at Annapolis. From the coming of Penn until the end of the seventeenth century Delaware and Pennsylvania formed one government, and even until 1776 the two colonies lived under one executive administration. Many records were therefore joint property, and when "the three lower counties of Delaware" seceded the rapidly growing Quaker settlements kept all the papers in which they had any interest.

The few archives that, despite her unfortunate early history, ought still to be found in Delaware have almost entirely disappeared on account of the carelessness of officials who were ignorant of their value or on account of the dishonesty of students and antiquarians from without and within the State who have abused the confidence of the State officials. The public archives that had been accumulated prior to the year 1873 were, in large part, along with a collection of branding and cropping irons, deposited in the loft of the statehouse at Dover. While this building was in the process of being remodeled during the years 1873–1875 vandalism ran riot. What little remained of the collection in 1875 was taken, I have been told, to the

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cellar, where the papers were used by the janitor to start fires. A box full of these papers was rescued a few years ago by public-spirited citizens and put away for safe-keeping. The documents in the list, given on pages 136–137, were taken from that box within the last year and assorted by a member of the division of public records of Delaware. From 1875 to 1897 scarcely anything worthy of the name of archives was collected. Under "Archives," in the following pages, is a list of what I have been able to find.

The county records are much more complete, and may prove to be a valuable source of information if what is still left of them can be rescued and made available for use. The land records of Kent County begin in the year 1646 and those in Newcastle and Sussex counties not much later. The Newcastle County wills date back to 1638 and the court records of the same county to 1676, with orphans' court papers as early as 1742. While Newcastle County is better provided with "oldest records" than her sister counties, Sussex County is rich in assessors' books, the series being practically unbroken from 1797 to the present. Unfortunately Newcastle County has practically none of these books which are so valuable to the student of economic history, the custom there being to destroy them at the end of five years, under an act of the assembly which permits the destruction of papers that are of no further use.

In recent years the records of the several counties correspond pretty generally, which correspondence is due mainly to the fact that the laws of the State provide what records shall be kept and in some cases even the manner of keeping them. Since the constitution of 1834 went into effect the court dockets, especially those of the superior courts, are preserved in unbroken series, and the method is uniform in the three counties, with some slight exceptions. Uniformity has been promoted in the vital statistics by the acts of 1861, 1863, and 1881. Some birth and death records were kept before 1861, but since that year they have been more regularly kept, and since the act of 1881, I believe, each county has a satisfactory record. An act of 1867 provided for the more satisfactory registration of the accounts and settlements of guardians, executors, and administrators. An act of 1877 initiated the separate record for chattel mortgages. In 1903 an act authorized by the constitution of 1897 was passed providing that one set of guardians' accounts should be kept in the office of the clerk of the orphans' court, being transferred from the office of the register of wills. While these and other acts of the general assembly have brought about considerable uniformity, each office is still left free to pursue the dictates of its own fancy in many of the minor and some of the major matters of registration. In Kent County mechanics' liens, amicable actions, recognizances, and subpœnas are recorded in dockets used for other purposes, while in Sussex County each of

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these subjects, to the number of at least ten, has a separate book or series, and in Newcastle some of them are not recorded at all.

Each of the three counties has five offices of record. (1) In the office of the recorder of deeds are deposited the land titles, corporation records, indentures of servants, records of births, marriages, and deaths, constables' bonds, and other papers that would naturally be associated with these, such as mortgages, both chattel and real, assignments of mortgages, etc. (2) The office of the register of wills has the will books, one set of the accounts of administrators and executors, receipts or quittances, and bond books. (3) In the office of the clerk of the orphans' court and the register in chancery are the guardians' accounts, orphans' court records, chancery court records, guardians' bonds, and a considerable list of other documents, some of which are included in the same books with the chancery or orphans' court records in Newcastle County, but are given separate volumes in one or both of the other counties. (4) The prothonotary in each county is the clerk of the superior court of that county and is the custodian of the records of that court. The prothonotary of Kent County is also the clerk of the supreme court of the State and is the custodian of the supreme court dockets. Each prothonotary since 1832 has kept four dockets for the superior court, appearance, continuance, judgment, and execution. In Newcastle no other regular series is kept except mechanics' liens. In Sussex County several other series are kept of matters that in Kent County are recorded on one of the several dockets already mentioned. (5) The clerk of the peace is the clerk of the levy court or board of county commissioners, of the court of oyer and terminer, and of the court of general sessions. The older records refer to this court as "Quarter sessions," "General sessions," and "General quarter sessions." Since 1832 it is properly called "General sessions." The clerk, besides being the custodian of the dockets of these several courts, has charge also of the road books, assessors' books, license records, minutes of the grand jury so far as they are kept, and other similar matters. It is the duty of a number of county officers to file papers in his office, and some of whom do file them at more or less frequent intervals, while some do not do so at all so far as the records show.

When the court-houses in Delaware were built they were thought to be fireproof. No one of them is, however, entirely safe from injury by fire. The one least so is that at Georgetown, the county seat of Sussex County. It was built out of the proceeds of a lottery, which proceeds did not prove sufficient to allow of carrying out the architect's plans, and there has been talk at various times of erecting another building, or at least of carrying out the original plans. The present structure is brick and cement or concrete built about a frame of wood. Some of the concrete filled has been removed on account

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of sagging caused by excess weight, leaving the building less protected than it was originally. The shelving is of wood, and while no other buildings connect directly with the court-house, most of the town is of frame buildings, and there is little doubt that, despite the iron doors to the several rooms and other precautionary measures, the Sussex County records are in danger from fire. The court-house in Kent County, at Dover, is somewhat better off than the one at Georgetown in that it has no wood in its walls. The Newcastle building at Wilmington is probably as near fireproof as any building that has been built any length of time, as is shown by the fact that a fire recently burned the contents of one of the rooms without appreciably damaging the adjoining rooms. This building is made still more safe by the fact that it is so far removed from the residences which surround it that any fire must start within its own walls to be dangerous. One is disposed to doubt, however, whether further precaution should not be taken even here. It is not at all certain that had there been more combustible matter in the room that was burned out the fire would not have communicated itself to the room next above it, in which case it would have gotten into the loft and done serious damage.

As to the ordering of the bound volumes of records, the same general plan is pursued in most of those offices where the original papers are left on file. This plan is to place the books in wooden shelves around the walls of the room at a convenient height, and above these to store the original papers in the pigeon holes of closed wooden cabinets. Many of the offices have become very much cramped for space, the recorder's office in Newcastle County, for example, having already utilized pretty well all the surface of the four walls from floor to ceiling. While, with the proverbial exception, all the county officers in Delaware are amiable to a fault, and are disposed to aid in any way in their power those who come to them with proper introduction, few of them have special interest in the older papers and books in their care. In fact few of them pay any attention to any of the books except those that are being used for legal and business purposes. Little more than this can be expected when it is true that the offices change hands every four or five years, so that a clerk barely gets settled to his work before he must make way for his successor. Several of the clerks have no explanation for the absence of units in a series, and many of the books I took down had not been handled in any way for a number of years. The prevailing method of numbering a series of considerable length is the following: "A vol. 1," "B vol. 1," "A vol. 2," "B vol. 2," etc. Other methods, however, are used, and sometimes several different ones in the same office. Letters may be used without figures and figures without letters, or both may be used parallel, as "A No. 1," "B No. 2," etc.

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The most complex mixture of letters and figures is that used in the office of the recorder of deeds for Sussex County, which is as follows: "A No. 1," "B No. 2," to the end of the alphabet, then "AA No. 26," "AB No. 27," the present volume is "DDE No. 156." Some offices recognize the existence of "V" and "J," and others recognize neither or only one of them. In several cases where I was told that a "J" was lost, I am disposed to believe from the dates of the documents recorded that there was no "J" made.

Section 14, chapter 24 of the Revised Code of 1893, indicates an interest in systematic and uniform records. The law there provides that no office of record shall use books of over 300 pages and that a margin of at least 1¼ inches shall be left, and adds a penalty for violation of the law. I have, however, been unable to find any law providing, as is done in many States now, for the use of selected papers and chemically satisfactory inks. In fact the use of inferior inks and papers is very apparent in many of the Delaware record books. On pages 277 and 278 of the Revised Code of 1893 a number of books are declared to be "Public records," which indicates some interest in the past, but little active effort was made for the care of the archives or the records until the year 1904. In that year, under the influence of the work being done in neighboring States, the Society of the Colonial Dames of Delaware and others interested in the history of the State moved the general assembly to pass an act creating a "Division of public records,"[a] with members from each of the three counties and with some authority over all the public documents, "beginning with the earliest records to the year eighteen hundred." This "division" has looked pretty carefully into the present condition of the public offices and is now petitioning the general assembly for an appropriation of funds, so that they may begin the work of preserving the papers that need most immediate attention.

This tentative report on the present methods of making and keeping public records in Delaware is based on several excursions into the State house and the county buildings and partly on information given me by members of the "Division of public records." It is not meant to be minutely accurate or to contain a complete list of all the documents in the State. Such a report could not be written with the records in their present condition, and would be of little value if it were written, since it would have to be done over again after the work of rescue has progressed somewhat. It does, I hope, give a truthful general impression of the material available and the methods pursued in handling it. I should be extremely sorry if anything in this report should be interpreted as suggesting that the present county clerks are not doing their duty as they see it. They have inherited a burden of confusion and disorder, and in many cases they have

[a] See pages 332, 333 of the Report of the Public Archives Commission for 1906.

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improved the system and reduced the disorder. They have certainly given me ample opportunity to examine the documents and lent me all the assistance in their power. Several clerks have petitioned the levy courts time and again to rebind books that need it or take other steps to preserve the older records, but have always been met with the plea of poverty. The principal blame, if there is any, rests on the shoulders of those people in Delaware who know the conditions and recognize the value of historical material and yet take no steps to save it.

The remainder of my report is a tentative list of the records of the Federal courts in Delaware, the State archives, the county records, and some miscellaneous items of possible interest.

RECORDS OF THE FEDERAL COURTS IN DELAWARE.

A United States district and circuit court sit at Wilmington. The court room and offices are housed in the Federal building with the post-office. In one of the safe deposit vaults of the building there is a considerable collection of old letters and minutes of the courts. Here are also kept the naturalization papers of those immigrants who made their declaration to the Federal authorities in Delaware. The papers begin with the year 1813 and continue, with the exception of the years 1828–1834, down to the present time. The books containing these older papers are not in good condition. With these papers is an interesting record of the "Reporting and registering of aliens landing at the port of New Castle" during the years 1801–1805, in which are registered a considerable number of people. The record gives the name, place of birth, age, nationality, place of allegiance, boat, occupation, destination, and intended residence of each immigrant. A considerable per cent of these "aliens" registered their occupation as "gentlemen." The papers in the vault are so near to overflowing that they could not be minutely examined. The clerk speaks of indexing them and making them available for use.

The dockets of the courts begin with the year 1790 and continue without break to the present. The books are kept in small closets under a sort of counter. The closets are so partitioned that only one or two books can be put into a section. The sections are numbered up to 31, and the numerical order rather than the chronological or logical order is followed in the list below.

FIRST SECTION.

1. Indices of the United States district court, 1790–1876; 1876 to present.
2. Indices of the United States circuit court, 1790–1876; 1876 to present.
3. Bankruptcy index, 1898 to present.
4. District court, admiralty record "2," 1876.
5. District court, admiralty record "1," 1834.

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6. District court, admiralty record "B," 1809; district court, continuance docket, 1820.
7. District court, admiralty docket "A," 1789–1817; district court, admiralty docket, 1812.
8. District court, admiralty and law, "A," 1789–1805; district court, admiralty and law, "B," 1805–1813.
9. District court, admiralty and law, "information," indictments, "A," 1805–1813; district court, criminal, 1, 1842.
10. District court, criminal, 2, 1868.
11. District court, criminal, 3, 1878.

SECOND SECTION.

12. District court, naturalization, 1797; district court, appeal docket, 1805.
13. District court, law, executions, 1819; district court, informations, 1819–1830.
14. District court "A," appearance, continuance, and execution, 1811–1819; district court "B," continuance, 1815–1834; district court "C," appearance, 1819–1849.
15. District court, appearance docket, 1790–1820; district court, appearance, continuance, and appeal, 1812.
16. District court, admiralty, continuance, 1790.
17. District court, admiralty, "3," 1885.
18. District court, execution docket, 1876.
19. Circuit court, appeal docket, 1876.
20. Circuit court, law docket, "2," 1876.
21. Circuit court, law docket, "1," 1849–1876.

THIRD SECTION.

22. Circuit court, minutes, 1876; circuit court, law, appearance, and continuance, 1876.
23. Circuit court, motion docket.
24. Circuit court, criminal "instructions," 1870.
25. Circuit court, criminal "instructions," 1795; circuit court, equity 1790–1796.
26. Circuit court, equity and law, 1819.
27. Circuit court, equity and law, 1790–1813; circuit court, equity "instructions," "1," 1843–1870.
28. Circuit court, equity "instructions," "2," 1870.
29. Circuit court, equity "instructions," "3," 1892.
30. Circuit court, equity order docket 1 and 2.
31. Circuit court, equity, 1876.

Here are also kept pardons granted by the Presidents, at least since Pierce and including Buchanan, Lincoln, and Grant.

THE ARCHIVES.

IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AT DOVER.

The secretary of state has a file of official correspondence in carbon copy beginning with the adoption of the constitution of 1897. Most of the other offices of administration have only current letter files and other papers of im-

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mediate use. The secretary of state also has in a safe deposit vault a considerable number of packages of revolutionary war papers, such as pay rolls of soldiers, measurements of men up for enlistment, casualty reports, etc. There are also a number of letters from such historical characters as President McKinly of Delaware.

IN THE STATE LIBRARY.

Printed.

Minutes of the colonial council, 1776–1792.

Senate Journal from 1792 to the present, with the following exceptions: Volume 1 is not uniform with the series, being smaller and of a different style from the rest of the set; volume 2 (1798–1805) and volume 4 (1806–1808) leave no room for a volume 3, which is said to be lost; volume 14 (1838–1843) is missing; volumes 19 and 20 are not on the shelves, but are said to be merely temporarily absent. The odd volume (1) contains the minutes of the constitutional convention of 1791.

House Journal, complete since 1797, except that I could find no volume 7. Volume 6 covers the dates 1812–1817 and volume 8 the dates 1818–1820. Volume 1 is lost. It included the years 1792–1797.

State laws as published in 1797, parts 1 and 2; 1806, parts 3 and 4, these "parts" representing volumes in the series, 1813, 1820, 1829, 1852, 1866, 1874 (revision of the code of 1852), 1887–1889, 1893 (revision of the code of 1852), 1898–99, 1901–1903, 1905. Volume 7 I could not find, nor was I able to learn in what year it was published.

Auditor's report from 1836 to the present.

Journal of the constitutional convention of 1831.

Harrington's reports of the superior court and the court of errors and appeals from 1832 to the present.

Manuscript.

Minutes of the council, 1778–1780, 66 pages.

Minutes of the council, 1776–1779, about 500 pages, not numbered.

Minutes of the council, 1780–1792, in sections, and not numbered through, but containing about 800 pages.

State tax book, 1815–1818, very small and thin.

Journal of the house, 1843.

An assessor's book, 260 pages, apparently of the year 1820.

An assessor's book, Appoquinimink Hundred, 1816.

PAPERS FOUND IN THE STATEHOUSE CELLAR.

The following is a list of some of the papers that journeyed to the loft of the old Statehouse, then to the cellar, and, having escaped the janitor, are now in the possession of the division of public records. I give it just as it was furnished to me by one of the members of the division:

State auditor's journal, 1789.

State treasurer's vouchers, 1788–89.

Duplicates of mortgages in loan office, 1794, and tax of Kent County, 1785.

Duplicates of amounts paid to R. Clark on mortgages, in the loan office, 1794, and receipt for tax list of Kent County, 1785–89.

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List of mortgages in loan office of New Castle County, 1795, and other papers belonging to loan office, signed by John Stockton, trustee.

Bonds and receipts of Samuel and John Adams, State printers, 1796.

Return of mortgages in the loan office of New Castle County, 1797-98—two papers.

Return of money and depreciated certificates received in loan office of New Castle County, 1793, 1794, and 1797—four papers.

Mortgages in loan office of Sussex County, 1783, 1793, 1798, and 1791—ten papers.

Original receipts for moneys paid for vacant lands in Kent County, 1794-1799—two papers.

Book of voucher stubs issued for the use of the Continental Army, 1780—two books.

Kent County tax levy, 1794.

New Castle County tax levy, 1794.

Depositions concerning the army service of Charles Houston, James Garrison, John Hanson, John Tate, William Belveal, William Dycus, Jacob White, and Isaac McKee—nine papers.

Account of James Booth, esq., record of fees from mortgage and tavern licenses—one paper.

State treasurer's account, 1782-83—one paper.

Copy of dates of certificates and their vouchers for sums due on certificates by the commissary and quartermasters in New Castle County, 1781. (Gives names and specifications concerning purchases.)

State treasurer's vouchers for payment of members of assembly and State officers, 1787.

Account of State of Delaware with Samuel Patterson, treasurer, 1785.

Letter from Jona N. Robinson to Joshua Clayton, 1787.

Return of Thomas Sipple, State treasurer, 1796—one paper.

About sixty miscellaneous papers, letters, etc., bearing dates prior to 1800. There are doubtless other valuable papers in this collection of dates since 1800. The act creating the division of public records limited their labors to the eighteenth century or earlier. Just why the date 1800 was selected one is unable to see; 1832, the adoption of the new constitution, or some other such event, would have been a more logical dividing line.

COUNTY RECORDS.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

People in Delaware have had the habit for a number of years of using the garrets or lofts of buildings as the repository for papers and manuscripts that are not in present use, and I believe they are not peculiar in that respect. The loft of the New Castle County court-house has long been made use of in this way, and it is scarcely necessary to add that the papers to be found there are not now in such condition that they can be used by students. A committee of the Society of Colonial Dames has gone over this material with some thoroughness and has selected and assorted what seemed to them to be of value. These assorted papers are now locked in wooden cabinets in the loft. The loose wills found here are said to go far toward filling the gap in the records caused by the loss of will books D, E, and F, which covered the years 1721-1746. The work of assorting has not, of course, been done by experts, but it was a labor of love, and the people who did it deserve all the credit for saving a large number of valuable records. The fact that some of the documents are of less value is not

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important. The following list, which was furnished me by the secretary of the division of public records, and which I find corresponds with somewhat less copious notes that I have made there myself, will give some idea of the class of papers under consideration.

Three of the ten closets were examined and found to contain 279 packages of original papers bearing dates prior to 1800, viz:

Court papers, 1714 to 1750.
Sheriff's writs, signed John Gooding, 1732.
Return sale of real estate.
Orders to value and sell land.
Petitions for the sale of real estate.
Annual valuations, etc.
Settlements of estates.
Return divisions, with plats.
Warrants to lay down pretensions.
Petitions pertaining to roads and surveys.
Grants of land by proprietaries, 1733–1769.
Deeds, 1706–1792.
Plats of roads.
Surveys, 1704–1796.
Jasper Yeates papers, 1702.
Tavern licenses, 1795.
Bail bonds of various kinds.
Vouchers, county debts, 1780–1786.
Very old recognizances.
General assembly papers, 1796.
Executors' papers, signed John Stockton, Caesar Rodney, Nicholas Van Dyke, James Booth, and others.
Guardians' accounts.
Inventories.
Administration accounts.
Wills, copies of wills.
Letters of administration, 1775–1792.
Administration bonds.
Exceptions filed to executors' accounts.
Orphans' court papers.
Oaths of fidelity to State, certified list, 1778–1780.
Lists of pensioned men of Delaware in Revolutionary war.
Lists of grand jurors.
Postal receipts.
Tax collectors' bonds.
Petitions for licenses.
Indentures, 1784–1798.
Trial lists, 1773.
Land boundaries, 1737–1773.
Bonds and warrants, 1723–1791.
Assessment lists, 1778–1796.
Brandywine Hundred assessment lists.
Auditors' reports, 1741–1749.
Marriage bonds.
Patents and surveys, 1682–1799, etc.

On my first visit to this loft I ran across several paper-backed assessors' books for the year 1810, containing interesting information about the negroes of Newcastle County. On my second visit they could not be found, although they may still be there. It is known that really valuable papers have been carried away, and if that is the only way they can be rescued one would be disposed to find little fault. A gentleman has hanging on his wall the original grant from the Duke of York to William Penn of the "twelve-mile circle," which he is said to have found among these papers.

Office of the Recorder of Deeds.

The land records of Newcastle County begin with "A, vol. 1," the first instrument bearing date January 30, 1673. This book closes with a document signed by William Penn, confirming a sale of land to John Can, bearing date May 23, 1684, the sale having been made on July 18, 1682. This book is a copy of an earlier original, and is accompanied by the same sort of certificate as to correctness and completeness as will be found on page 140, this certificate also being signed by Rice and McKean. There are 22 volumes of deed books, each volume consisting of some 24 books, the books in a volume being lettered.

Volume 1 is said to lack books D, F, J, O, P, R, and V, and volume 2 has neither A nor V. C of volume 1 ends with the year 1715 and E begins with the

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same year, leaving no break, which, however, does not indicate that there was no D of course. The other missing books approximately cover the following years: F, 1710–1722; O and P, 1743–1749; R, 1752–1755; U ends and W begins with the year 1763, and I am disposed to think there was no V. In volume 2 book A would probably have deeds for the years 1773 and 1774. There was also probably no V made for this volume. Volume 1 runs from 1673 to 1773 and volume 2 from 1773 to 1804.

In book B, volume 1, there are a number of deeds dated July 5, 1678, to July 8, 1682, bound in the back of the volume and upside down. Book C is badly damaged by fire in the middle of the book. The first 59 pages of book E are gone. The older volumes in this series have been kept well bound, and many of the leaves have been given some protection by placing narrow strips of adhesive paper along the edges. This is, of course, not a permanent remedy against breakage, for the whole leaf in some cases breaks in two, but it has done some good.

The set of land-mortgage records, as a separate series, begins with the year 1855 and is complete to the present, numbered and lettered as the deed books are.

A, volume 1, of the chattel mortgages begins with October 30, 1877, and the current book is K of volume 1, the series being complete.

The assignment records cover the period (as a separate series) August 6, 1861, to the present, the books being numbered and lettered to "A volume 2," the current book.

The series of certificates of incorporation begin with March 15, 1899, the present book being "Q volume 2."

There are six volumes of private acts records, dated from 1825 to the present and lettered to "F volume 1."

The marriage records begin in 1848 and that of births and deaths in 1861. There are very unsatisfactory vital statistics in all the counties, on account of the fact that the laws were somewhat misunderstood by the recorders. (See note to page 474 of the Revised Code of Delaware for 1852 as amended to 1874.)

There are two large volumes, aggregating something like 1,500 pages, called "Copies of Penn's Book of Surveys," the copying having been done by Lewis Heck and Evan Thomas, recorders, during the years 1801, 1802, and 1806.

New Castle grants, 1736–1742, a duly certified copy made in accordance with an order of the general assembly dated February 29, 1808.

Records of apprenticeship, 1826 to the present, in twelve books.

Miscellaneous papers relative to land grants, not chronologically arranged, but covering the dates 1736–1762, with a certificate of correctness.

Office of the Register of Wills.

The first will in "A volume 1" is dated the "31st day of the 10th month, vulgarly called December, 1863," and the last one bears date "8ber, in ye third year of ye King's raign and 7th of ye Propriatary's 1687." There are a few wills of earlier years than 1683; one seemed to be of 1679. The book shows the passage of years, the leaves being discolored and broken and the ink faded. It has recently been rebound, and the repairing with transparent silk that has been done will probably prevent further damage until restoration can be attempted. There are about 94 pages of the book proper, and in the back are bound 30 pages of what was once a small book of wills, these pages bearing dates 1695 to 1713. D, E, and F of this series is lost, leaving a gap of twenty-five years. G begins with a will of John Penn's, dated Octo-

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ber 24, 1746. The series runs twice through the alphabet and the current book is "I volume 3."

The series of inventories and apraisements begins with 1809 and is complete to 1907.

The releases of administrators begin with June, 1826, and are lettered A to W, the set being intact. Elsewhere these are called "receipts" or "quittances."

Accounts of administrators and executors begin with 1866, and the current book is "I volume 2."

There are 80 volumes of administrator's bonds in a pretty unsatisfactory condition. The oldest covers the dates 1761–1764, but it would be impossible to tell whether the set is complete without examining each book. They are in odd sizes and odd bindings and generally dilapidated.

One volume of lists of representatives, 1803–1851.

"Copies des Lettres Cotte," containing a number of accounts dated 1782–1783 and on the first page the following letter without date or name:

"My Friend: The Hog now in thy field is not mine because I have my number in my pen. As thee is a gentleman and a peaceful neighbor, I have kept my oxen yoked or stabled for some days past, in order to prevent their depredation upon thee, and my hogs penned with the same; but my friend I cannot consent to do this any longer than thy harvest shall be gathered in, so as that thee can make thy fence proof against both oxen and hogs."

Prothonotary's Office.

Here are three volumes of "Court records," which have been printed by the Colonial Society. The title-page of the first volume is as follows: "Liber A, Records of ye Co. of New Castell in D Begun ye 10th Octobr 1676 Ending ye Laest of decembr 1678." At the end of this volume is the following certificate, which is given in full because it is a type of the certificates that are written in a large number of the older books in the offices:

"Lower Counties on Delaware: In pursuance of a Resolve of the Honorable Houses of Assembly of the Lower Counties on Delaware appointed as a committee for causing the several Records of Transactions in the several Courts within the County of New Castle relating to the Titles of Lands, before the year one thousand seven hundred and of Warrants, Surveys, Patents, Deeds and Wills, signed, executed and recorded before the same year in the several public offices within the county aforesaid to be transcribed by the officers respectively in whose custody they remain, and to compare them with the originals, and made Report to the House of our Proceedings in the Premises, We do now humbly report to the Honorable House that we have carefully caused such parts of the same Records to be transcribed as related in any wise to the titles of lands within the said County and have diligently compared the same with the originals and do certify that the foregoing book beginning with Folio one, on the tenth day of October in the year 1676 and ending with Folio five hundred and thirty and on the twenty-first day of November in the year 1699 contains nothing but true and genuine Proceedings faithfully and literally copied from the original records." (Signed) Evan Rice and Thos. McKean.

"Minutes of the Privy Council" 1778–1792, with the original draft of the constitution of 1792.

Naturalization papers of the year 1788 and after, though there are very few prior to the year 1800.

The most important set of documents in this office are the dockets of the superior court. All of these dockets are kept in a much more systematic and

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businesslike way since 1832, but the earlier records are reasonably full well back into the eighteenth century, the continuance docket beginning with the year 1750 and uncopied papers being on file bearing dates as early as 1729. All the records of the superior court of New Castle County, such as recognizances, amicable actions, etc., so far as they are kept at all, are entered on some one of the following dockets:

Continuance dockets of 1750, 1753, 1758, etc., to the present.

Execution dockets, 1792 to the present.

Appearance dockets, 1773 to date.

Judgment dockets, 1793 to the present.

It is altogether possible that there are still earlier records.

Since June 14, 1861, there have been recorded two volumes of mechanics' liens.

There is one small volume of certiorari papers.

Office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

Books A and B of the orphans' (or probate) court records are lost. It is said that they were left behind in New Castle, the then county seat, when the British soldiers frightened the county officers away in the war of 1812. Book C begins with the year 1742, and thereafter the series seems to be intact: C, March 29, 1742, to March 5, 1761; D, to January 10, 1775; E and G, to January 15, 1793, in one binding; F, 1778–1788.

The books have no numbers until M, when they begin to be called "volume 1" which ends with the year 1868. "Y, volume 2" is the current book.

The records of settlements of trustees are in twelve books, beginning with the year 1844. Seven of the books have no lettering, being numbered 1 to 7; the remainder are called "Volume 2 A" to "Volume 2 E."

One book of adoption records, 1885 to the present, "A, volume 1."

Three volumes of guardians' release records, A, B, and C of volume 1, dated January, 1903, to the present.

Five numbered books of recognizances in the orphans' court. The first book covers the dates July 25, 1823, to May 6, 1837.

Orphans' court appeal docket, one book of 443 pages, 1830 to the present.

Chancery court records, Books A, B, and C of volume 1 were probably lost with the early orphans' court records. D, 1806–1816; E is lost if there was one; F, 1816–1823; G, 1823–1826; H, 1820–1834, with which old volume 1 ends.

The present series of chancery court records is lettered from A to U, and is also called volume 1.

Divisions of land in chancery proceedings, called in some places "Partition docket," begin with A, 1824–1840, and run to the persent without break. Since E, 1894, however, these records are written in the chancery court records referred to above.

The guardians' accounts in this office begin with the year 1779, but they have been recorded in books only since 1807.

Office of the Clerk of the Peace.

The records of the criminal court, oyer and terminer, begin with 1820 and continue to 1907. There is only one volume, and few of the records antedate 1840.

A book of records of the county treasurer, 1833.

Sessions docket, and minutes of the levy court, covering dates 1775, 1792, 1801, etc., to the present. The former records also are more regularly kept after 1832. The minutes of the levy court begin with the year 1845, and there are fifteen volumes of them.

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The Newcastle County road books date from the year 1794, and are reasonably full from that date. The process of authorizing a road is initiated by a petition from those interested to the levy court, which appoints a commission to inquire into the case. If the commission reports favorably, the court orders the road and pays the cost of obtaining the land and the hundred or district makes the road.

Assessors' books for the last five years, the custom being to destroy those that are older.

This office contains an interesting set of bound marriage bonds—twelve volumes, dated 1744 to 1836. Such bonds were required by law until the year 1903, when the act was repealed. For many years before 1903 there was only formal compliance with the law. Part of the bond read as follows: "Know all men by these presents that we Thomas Pickering and James Dorrell, both of Kent County in the State of Delaware, are firmly held and bound unto his Excellency Joshua Clayton, Esquire, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Delaware State, in the sum of 200 pounds good and lawful money in America to be paid to the said Joshua Clayton, Esquire, or his successors * * * January 15, 1791, the condition of this obligation is such that if there shall not hereafter appear any lawful let or impediment by reason of any precontract, consanguinity, affinity or any other just cause whatsoever that the above mentioned Thomas Pickering and Sarah Maxwell of the County aforesaid may lawfully marry * * * this bond shall be void and of none effect."

KENT COUNTY.

Office of the Recorder of Deeds.

The land records begin with the "Duke of York Records," one book of 266 pages, dated 1646–1679. These have been printed by order of the general assembly.

Following these the regular series of land records begins with "A, volume 1" and runs to the present book, "E, volume 9." It is an excellent series and well cared for. The first book covers the years 1680 to 1694.

The record of real mortgages dates from the passage of the law of 1855. Prior to that time the mortgage went into the deed books. The series runs twice through the alphabet, the current book being "B, volume 3."

There are five volumes of chattel mortgages, beginning with 1877, lettered A to E.

Records of the indenture of servants from 1827 to the present. A begins in June, 1827, with the "binding out" of Elijah, son of Maria Cook (occupation), free negro of Dover Hundred, to George M. Manlove, Elijah being then 11 years old. He was to remain with his master until he was 21 years old. This series ends with book T in the year 1903. There is also an "A, volume 2," containing indentures of apprentices bound out by the Kent County poorhouse during the years 1892–1904.

The record of marriages begins with March 4, 1847, and fills 103 pages before 1861, when the present series begins.

Births and deaths were recorded from 1861 to 1863 and from 1881 to the present. The books for births, marriages, and deaths are numbered and not lettered. At the end of the birth record for 1863 appears the following very pertinent note: "This ends the Birth Record by Act of the Legislature at its session of March 1863. I think a very foolish act on their part." Signed George B. Dickson, recorder. These volumes are very fully indexed.

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Prior to 1895, legally 1898, the corporation records were entered on the deed books. Since the law of 1898 was passed there has been a separate series for them.

An old will book of a few pages, 1804.

Two old volumes of mortgages in very bad repair, covering the years 1735-1767.

A loan-office record, 1759–1772.

Three books of assignments of mortgages, lettered, 1897 to the present.

Two volumes of constables' bonds, 1861 to the present, lettered.

A small registration book for ministers, physicians, and undertakers, 1892 to the present.

Residence record, 1861 to present. Of very little consequence.

Grants of land, 1680–1812, two books.

Warrants, 1794–1844.

Surveys, 1680-1832, two volumes, A and BC.

Office of the Register of Wills.

The record of wills begins with "A, volume 1," which covers the years 1680 to 1730, and continues to the present with but one break. The first book contains A, B, C, F, G, and ends with a certificate of authenticity dated April 11, 1812. The records from which this book was copied are of course lost and forgotten. D is an older book at least, and it may be the original one. It covers the years 1724-1726. The current book is "E, volume 2."

The accounts of administrators and executors run from 1867 to the present, filling volume 1, from Book A to Book Q.

The receipts or quittance fill 12 numbered books, beginning with the year 1826.

There are 19 books, numbered, of bonds, beginning with the year 1833 and running to the present without break.

In this office are to be found a few wills entered on the deed books, especially about the year 1804.

Office of the Prothonotary.

The prothonotary of Kent County is the clerk of the supreme court. The docket of this court begins with the year 1811 and runs to 1832, being a copy bearing a certificate that the records are correct reproductions of the original, made in accordance with an act of the general assembly dated January 26, 1831, called "An act for the preservation of certain records of the court of common pleas and of the supeme court." The constitution of 1832 changed the name of the supreme court to the court of errors and appeals, and under that name the dockets run until the year 1897, when the constitution of that year restored the original name, and from 1897 we have supreme court dockets again.

The supreme court dockets are: Appearance 1788, 1794, 1796, 1802, 1807, etc., to 1832; continuance 1797, etc., to 1832; judgment 1794 etc., to 1832; execution 1796 etc., to 1832.

After 1832 the record is uniform and connected to the present, there being nineteen books of appearance dockets since that date and twenty-seven books of executions.

Two volumes of garnishee papers, 1858 to the present.

A book of agents of foreign corporations, current.

Writs of errors and appeals, 1795–1831.

Naturalization papers, 1858 to 1907, when a new law goes into effect.

A lot of daybooks and ledgers dating back to 1816.

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Office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

Of the orphans' court records, A cannot be found. "B volume 1" begins the present record with the year 1766, and "O volume 2" is at present being used.[a]

There are six numbered volumes of orphans' court plots, 1826–1891.

Recognizances in the orphans' court, 1822 to the present, filling five numbered volumes.

Guardians' bond book, 1859–1896.

Sales by administrators, 1879 to the present.

Sales by trustees, 1879 to the present.

Three books of appeal dockets, 1803 to the present, the first and third without either letter or number and the second (1828–1848) having the letter L.

Guardians appointed from 1872 to the present.

Four numbered books of minors' rents, 1833 to the present.

Minors' funds 1866 to the present.

The chancery court records in this office start out with four books called "A." "A4," called "Chancery proceedings," is an original record, or at least a very old one, newly rebound, but with the leaves unprotected and breaking away. It contains, besides the chancery records, which are dated from 1745 to 1782, about 69 pages of common plea records dated about 1736. The next, A, "Chancery docket," is a copy of some original, and bears a certificate that it is a correct copy made under the act of the general assembly passed on February 7, 1825, to provide for the preservation of the records of the court of chancery in Kent County. The third A is dated 1816–1825, and bears a similar certificate, this one being signed by W. Hill Wells and William Huffington. The fourth A, called "Record book," is dated 1816–1834 and is also certified. After this rather ample beginning the records of the chancery court continue to the present without a break.

There are nine lettered books of guardians' accounts running from 1866 to the present.

A copartnership docket of a few pages, 1901.

Partition docket, chancery court, B to I, 1832 to the present. I could find no A.

The Potter Charity Estate papers, 1860 to the present.

Leases to the Potter Charity Estate, 1875 to the present.

Several current receipt books and a county cost book of 1907.

Office of the Clerk of the Peace.

Road books, 1786–1792, 1793, 1820–1855, 1857 to the present. Some of these books give the petition for the road, some of them a map, and some merely the name of the road and of the supervisors and overseers. The books are classified by Hundreds or districts.

A school district book apparently of about the year 1847. It gives the bounds of the school districts, places for voting, number of schools and pupils, and other similar information.

Minutes of the levy court and court of appeals, 1842–1851. These minutes relate to the assessment of property for taxation.

Returns by justices of the peace, 1792–1798.

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[a] This series is made especially interesting by the fact that Caesar Rodney was clerk of the orphans' court from January, 1771, to December, 1778, two terms. His work is to be found in the latter part of book B and the early part of book C, and is the best work in every respect in the series. He was succeeded by Thomas Rodney.

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Assessors books, one for 1797, when they skip to 1852, from which latter date they have been kept consistently. They are arranged by Hundreds or districts.

Oyer and terminer records, one volume, 1857 to the present.

Recent witness books, constables' bonds, rough court records, and check stubbs.

Licenses, 1889 to the present.

Grand jury minutes, 1800–1808. These are now kept, if kept at all, on the record of the court of general sessions.

General sessions records, 1787 to the present, but only a book here and there prior to 1835.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

Office of the Recorder of Deeds.

The records of deeds to land in Sussex County begin with "A number 1," in the year 1675, and this first book ends with the year 1690. The present first book is a copy of an earlier original made under the direction of the county commissioners in the year 1770. In the back of the book are recorded a number of manumissions dated 1798–1805, and a number of deeds of a later date than those in the body of the book.

"B number 2," 1694–1696, was also copied from the earlier records in 1770. Some 467 pages of this book contain records dated between 1787 and 1798. The leaves are badly broken and torn.

"C number 3," 1698–1706, has a lot of wills with the deeds, one of the wills bearing date January 15, 1675.

"D number 4," like many of the early deed books, contains a miscellaneous collection of documents. On page 449 of this book we find "William Solthridge, his mark for cattle, sheep, etc. is cropt on both years and slitt in both years. Recorded this first day of April 1725, by me." (signed) Phil Russel, recorder. On the same page is a birth of the year 1724 recorded.

"E number 5" has been lost. On the first page of "H number 8" is a large map of Concord town in Sussex County. On the first page of "L number 11" is an Andros patent of 1677, and on the last page is a birth record. In "Q number 16" are a number of wills, manumissions, and earmarks, 1705–1803. In many cases the clerk despairs of expressing in language the appearance of an earmark and draws a picture of the animal's head. The present clerk says that this book (Q) was long lost and finally unearthed by him. It does not fit into the series in any way. Even the dates do not accord, "P number 15," ending with the year 1796, and "R number 17," beginning with 1792. It will of course be remembered that deeds were not always recorded in chronological order, and so the volumes overlap somewhat in their dates, but the overlapping here is rather too marked. This (R) contains mainly warrants for lands granted under the act of the assembly to establish a land office for the sale of vacant and uncultivated lands in the southern part of the State. Rhoad Shankland acted as surveyor. The records are among the most interesting in the State. The land was sold for about 50 cents an acre and the plots received such names as "Goodwin's Choice," "Bachelors' Ramble," "Wooten's Chance." "Fox Chase" was a very common name. The current number of this series is "DDE number 156," There is no "U No. 20."

Mortgages, "A number 1," 1866, to "AB number 28," 1907.

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Surveys, A, 1776, containing "Records of 1776 and other surveys," with plats of 1680, 1685, 1695, 1737, etc. This book is in a lamentable condition. The clerk has often called the attention of the county commissioners to it, but in vain.

Survey warrants, B, 1776, containing warrants not in chronological order, some of them dated as early as 1682.

Warrants. C. 1776, most of the instruments being dated between 1715 and 1776—627 pages.

Rhoads Shackland's "Field book number 1," dated 1713–1728, containing surveys and warrants.

James Rounds's warrants, C, 1767, signed by Rounds as deputy surveyor of Worcester County, Maryland.

Shackland's warrants and surveys, No. 2, 1716–1736.

Rounds's surveys, two books, A and B, 1748–1770.

Indentures, "A number 1" to "K number 10, dated 1828–1878. After 1878 these papers were recorded in the deed books.

Patents, "W number 10," 1802—about 600 pages.

Patents, "U number 11," 1829–1868.

Certificates of plats and surveys, "V number 20," 1795–1806.

Penn's patents as copied in 1801–2 by Lewis Heck. There is a similar book in Newcastle County. The instruments are dated about 1686, and the book is marked "Super-Patents."

Office of the Register of Wills.

A number of the Sussex County wills are scattered through the deed books of that county.

Will book "A number 1," 1691–1751, is so badly fallen to pieces that it must be kept tied up, and it becomes less valuable every time it is handled in its present condition. "B number 2," 1751–1775, with 560 pages, is in reasonably good condition, as are the rest of the series down to the current book, "T number 19."

Receipts or quittances have been filed since 1694. The series of books begins with 1867 and runs to the present book, "S number 18," without a break.

The record of bonds begins with the year 1803.

Office of the Prothonotary.

The records in this office are surprisingly full, and the clerk seems to be interested in them and fully to appreciate their value. There are more than 100 books of about 200 pages each in the superior court records prior to the year 1832. The earlier records are dated at Lewes, which was the county seat before the courts went to Georgetown. Among these old dockets is to be found all sorts of quaint information. On page 9 of the record for 1810 is an account of a sale of two negroes to the famous Polly Cannon for 20 cents. After 1832 the superior court dockets, appearance, continuance, judgment, and execution, are kept much as they are in the other two counties. Besides these four series, however, there are to be found a number of sets of books that are not kept in the other counties at all. They are to be found in the following list:

Reference docket, now called amicable actions, 1809 to the present.

Acknowledgments of deeds, 1743, 1753, 1772, 1793, and 1802.

List of levy court appointments, 1809.

Record of indictments, 1743, 1750, and 1756.

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Record of quarter sessions at Lewes in 1746.
Jury book, 1793-1806.
Sheriff's docket, odd volumes. It seems to be optional with the sheriffs whether they shall turn in these books or not.
Mechanics' liens, one book, 1864 to the present.
Rule docket, 1860 to the present.
Answers to garnishees, 1863 to the present.
Subpœnas, 1853 to the present.
Insolvent debtors, 1827-1861.
Recent election records, contests, etc.

Office of the Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

Orphans' court records, 1777-1830, in five volumes.
A new series of orphans' court records, 1801 to the present, books "A number 1" to "AU number 48."
Orphans' court minutes, five books, 1751-1876.
A bond book, "number 1," 1766-1806.
A money docket, nine books, lettered, 1831 to the present.
Minors' petitions, 1868 to the present.
Subpœnas to the orphans' court, 1822 to the present.
Recognizances, six lettered books, 1822 to the present.
About twenty-five miscellaneous orphans' court record books.
Guardians' accounts, "A number 1" to "D number 4," 1865-1907.
Guardians' bonds; some old books of 1774-1785 and D to F of a new series, 1880 to the present.
Appeal docket, 1802-1810.
Records of protest, 1856-57.
Chancery docket, ten lettered books, 1749 to the present.
Recognizances in chancery, 1837 to 1879—25 pages.
Annual valuations No. 2, 1886 to the present.
Chancery records, four books, not connected, 1803-1832.
Petitions in chancery, 1800-1810.
Equity docket, 1749-1770.
Chancery suit docket, B to F, 1831 to the present.
Chancery subpœnas, 1830 to the present.
Chancery deposit accounts, 1875.
Chancery partition docket, 1820-1832.

Office of the Clerk of the Peace.

A broken series of road books from 1765 to 1851. After 1851 the collection seems to be complete. It is classified by Hundreds.
General sessions docket, 1820 to the present. A reform seems to have overtaken this docket in the year 1868.
Levy court and court of appeals docket, tax assessments, 1850 to the present.
Oyer and terminer docket, 1869 to the present.
A fine set of assessors' books. The series for Nanticoke Hundred begins in 1796, Broadkin Hundred in 1807, Baltimore Hundred in 1816. The series in Dagsbory Hundred begins with the following paper:
"I, William Jefferson of Job, do swear that as assessor of Dagsboro Hundred I will to the best of my skill and judgment execute the duties of the office diligently and faithfully according to the direction of the act for the valuation of real and personal property within this state, and that I will spare no person for favour, affection or partiality or grieve anyone for hatred or ill-

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will, and that I will do equal right and justice according to the best of my knowledge in every case in which I shall act as assessor, So help me God." (Signed) Wm. Jefferson of Job., and dated September 25, 1827.

Subpœnas to general sessions, 1847, 1885 to the present.

Licenses, 1878 to the present.

Grand jury minutes, 1817–1848, 1856 to the present.

SOME MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

IN DELAWARE.

Records of the Lewes Presbyterian Church, with records of births, marriages, and deaths, beginning July 12, 1758; in the custody of ex-Governor Tunnell, of Lewes. The book really contains the records of the churches in the vicinity of Lewes, "Cold Spring," "Indian River," and "Rehoboth." It has been copied for the Pennsylvania Historical Society.

Among other books of historical interest, the same gentleman has a ledger beginning with the year 1771.

The most interesting church records in Delaware are those of the Welsh Tract Baptist Church near Newark, from the founding of the church to the present, the earlier entries being in the Welsh language; and the records of the Old Swedes' Church in Wilmington, from the year 1697, kept in the Swedish language until 1773 and thereafter in English. This record has been translated and published by the Delaware Historical Society. The title-page reads in the translation, "To the Church of the Holy Trinity at Christina in Pensilvania, America, is this bound blank book given, by Mr. John Hance Stellman in the year 1699." These records are kept in a fireproof vault, the vestry of Trinity Parish being the custodians.

The municipal records of Dover are preserved since 1829 in the form of minutes of the council.

The Delaware Historical Society has among its papers the books of the Wilmington Bridge Company, 1807–1836.

The charters and ordinances of the city of Wilmington have been printed by the city from time to time. Copies are on file in the Delaware Historical Society library. The first charter was granted in 1739. The municipal records, however, have followed the example of the State and county records and have hidden themselves in attics and cellars.

DELAWARE RECORDS IN THE LIBRARY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The Read manuscripts, dated 1716–1872.

Daybook of an inn at Lewes, 1812–1813.

Papers of the Abolition Society of Delaware, 1801–1819.

A book of wills and other documents, beginning in the "seventh month" of 1683.

A Sussex County court book, 1681–1709.

A copy of the records of St. George's Chapel beginning in the year 1711.

A copy of the Duck Creek Meeting records, 1705–1800.

Some wills, marriage records, and other papers of Kent and Sussex counties, 1683–1695.

Somerset County, Maryland, land records from which county Worcester County was set off in 1743. A part of Delaware was long included as a part of this last county.

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REPORT ON THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF FLORIDA.[a]

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Shortly after the American occupation of Florida, when a great deal of ink was being spilled over Governor Jackson's conduct in the Territory, a wag remarked that Florida was "very productive—of documents." Unfortunately the climate, both literally and figuratively, does not seem so well adapted to preservation as it is to production. However, the total which has been preserved is not inconsiderable. This report will make no attempt to give an account of the Spanish archives as such. The most of those in Florida at the time of the transfer appear to have been retained in spite of the desire of the Spanish to remove them, and they were put in charge of special keepers at Pensacola and St. Augustine. Many years later the legislature asked Congress to try to secure others from Habana. During the civil war the State appointed keepers of the archives. These facts are mentioned to show that Florida has not been indifferent to the Spanish records, even if those of more modern times are not cared for as one could wish. After the civil war the Spanish records were kept for a time in the office of the surveyor-general at Tallahassee, but a few years ago all not relating to land claims were shipped to the Librarian of Congress.

Respecting the archives of the American period, one may be pardoned for saying that they might have been kept better. In the first place, in earlier days no sharp distinctions were made as to subject-matter, the same volume sometimes containing records not closely related. In the second place, some of the records have been allowed to pass out of the offices to which they properly belong. Excepting those of recent years, they have not been carefully arranged and can not be found at a moment's notice.

The Florida archives do not present a very rich field to the investigator in any particular line. Possibly more is said in the earlier records about Indians than any other one topic. For many years this

[a] For report on the local archives of St. Augustine see American Historical Association Report, 1905, I, pp. 339–352.

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was the most important topic in Florida, being surpassed at times only by that of banks and bonds. On the latter question very little will be found which is not in print. Some light might be thrown on elections by a study of the archives, not, however, on the election of 1876. No very great amount is to be found concerning the administration of affairs during the civil war, yet much more than has found its way into print. A few papers relating to boundary disputes, now in the office of the surveyor-general of the United States, will soon become the property of the State. A great deal of matter relating to land surveys and claims will come from the same office, but there is very little in this not already published which will interest anyone without a claim.

Territorial and State Archives.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

The amount of matter preserved in the governor's office is not very large. Some of the older papers have passed out into the vault of the secretary of state. They will be mentioned in connection with that office because found there, and they are likely to remain there for some time. The matter now in the governor's office consists of a few bound volumes and a number of papers, the latter in filing cases. There is no index to either. The governor was absent at the time of the writer's call at his office, but the latter feels sure that the following is a fair representation of what it contains.

Messages, inaugural addresses, etc. Begins with inaugural address of Governor W. D. Moseley. No date. His first message to the legislature is dated July 1, 1845. The volume closes with a paper dated December 28, 1858. Hand copies.

Letter book, one volume, April, 1836–October, 1836. R. K. Call, governor. Three volumes cover Drew's administration, beginning January 6, 1877. From February 2, 1878, to July 10, 1879, not found. The first of Bloxham's letters are found in the last volume of Drew. The next volume, marked 4, covers May, 1884–November, 1885. Another, marked 1, covers January 7, 1883–June 4, 1885. One, marked 5, covers October 23, 1886–February 16, 1887. Thereafter the numbers run consecutively to 31, closing August 27, 1894, with occasional overlapping of dates. Letter-press copies. Some are on very thin paper and are almost illegible.

General correspondence (governor's office), September, 1895, to date. Typewritten letter-press copies.

Minutes of cabinet and board meeting, 1869–1892.

Pardon records, May 31, 1878, to date, three volumes.

Board of pardons, August 8, 1894–July 21, 1897.

Letters by secretary of pardon boards, January, 1892–July, 1894.

Applications for pardons, 1887–1906.

Letter book, duplicate from letter book of adjutant-general, July 21, 1891–July 7, 1894.

Letters of adjutant-general and commissioner of pensions, May 5, 1883–August 25, 1895.

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Minutes of board of commissioners of State institutions, February 19, 1892, to date. Two volumes.

Board of drainage commission, No. 1, May 27, 1905–April 4, 1906.

Pay patients entering the hospital since January 1, 1901.

Directory of officers, n. d., Fleming, governor.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The Hon. H. Clay Crawford, secretary of state, was present and did all in his power to facilitate the investigation of the archives in his office. He appreciates very keenly the disorder and confusion that has resulted from years of neglect, and has made some effort to remedy the same, but is waiting now to see if the legislature will not provide room and help to carry on the work. He had recovered a lot of matter from the coal bin, and the writer proceeded there first to see if anything had been overlooked. Several boxes were found in the garret of the capitol building containing papers, some of them tied in bundles, many of them loose and in great confusion. The floor also was covered with papers. At least some of them are of value and should be preserved. In the course of a brief rummage among them the writer found two of the original papers relating to the contested election of 1876. One of them was carried to the office of the secretary of state, the other was delivered to the clerk of the supreme court. Several of the famous bonds issued by the Territory in 1838 for the benefit of the Union Bank were discovered in the same place. They had been canceled. Also four bound volumes of New York and Charleston newspapers, dating back to the 1840's.

In the same garret were found numerous volumes relating to the census and the registration of voters. When these were reported to the secretary of state, he at once ordered their removal, stating that he thought that all such had already been taken out. A few days before this the writer had applied to the officer in charge of the census for certain information, but was assured by that officer that he had no returns previous to 1885. When these returns were carried to his office he positively refused to allow them to be brought in, on the ground that he had no room for them and that they were worthless. They were finally stored in a room in the basement.

In the following classification, when not otherwise specified, the records will be found in the office. The most of the others are in the secretary's vault. The few found in the garret will be referred to as in "basement." Very little care has been taken in the arrangement of matter in the vault. There is no general index, nor any special ones, except to the more recent records. The confusion is likely to continue until the legislature provides room and employs an archivist to classify and index the records.

Executive correspondence, five volumes. The first contains Duval's letters 1821–1839; also some election returns. The second contains letters of Acting

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Governor J. D. Westcott, January 11, 1830–November 16, 1831. The third begins with a letter from Governor John Branch, November 10, 1844, relating to the Union Bank. Message of January 10, 1845, printed and pasted in. Special and veto messages. Last from Branch, May 13, 1845. The fourth includes letters of Governor Moseley, July 2, 1845–September 29, 1849; Governor Thomas Brown, October 7, 1849–November 22, 1852 (message); James E. Broome, December 29, 1854–October 3, 1857. The fifth contains letters, messages, etc., but mostly appointments, July, 1873–October, 1876 (vault). Last in wretched state of preservation.

Notes from preceding:

First letter from W. P. Duval, governor, to John C. Calhoun, Secretary of War. Pensacola, June 1822. Indians have lost crops, are in very bad condition, and are very uneasy. Military in possession of public buildings, which are very much needed for city and Territorial officials. Thinks that not more than one company should be kept in the city and that it should be subject to the governor.

July 25, 1822. Indians called on Duval. Complain that Jackson's promise that the lands on which they were to live should soon be marked out had not been fulfilled. Duval's address to them given. He regrets that their great father had not done so. Great chiefs at Washington are very busy and can not do everything quick (*sic*). Sends this address to Secretary Crawford and begs his attention to the matter. Also to Jackson's promise to Chief Blunt, who acted as guide in the Seminole war.

August, 1822. Mary Ann Preats (?), daughter of a white man (John) who lived and died among the Creeks, claims by gift from him two negro women, Nancy and Hannah, who since then had had ten children. She had left all in possession of Chief Econchattamico. He has since sold five without her consent. She also claims five other slaves by right of inheritance. Chiefs should assemble and determine who are rightful owners. Some of these slaves had been purchased by Weatherford and others in violation of the law, having no license. Chief must not sell any more till title is settled. Threatens to send out of the Territory William (?) Bowie, who has married the daughter of the chief unless he walks strait (*sic*). He ought not to have permitted sale.

September 1, 1822, to Governor Pickens, of Alabama. A half-breed (Weatherford) and Elias Lloyd have grossly violated the laws by pretending to purchase nine negroes from the daughter of the chief and have taken them into Alabama. Money paid was counterfeit notes of the United States Bank. Should be arrested and tried.

September 22, 1822. Fleeing from yellow fever.

April, 1823. Letters show dependence on the banks of New Orleans and Mobile.

May, 1823. Reports that the records at St. Augustine are negligently kept. Directed the clerk of the court to take possession and put in order.

August 15, 1823. Gives permission to Mrs. Mary Black to go into the Indian country in order to recover a wench (Sarah), supposed to have three children, if she can recover her peaceably.

September 23, 1823. Citizens of the Territory and the neighboring States have many runaway slaves in the southern part of the peninsula. A number of them have established themselves on Pine Island. They are well armed and refuse to allow Americans to visit the island. Some Spaniards are among them, with a vessel carrying three guns. They employ the negroes to cut lumber and to fish for the Habana market. Requests permission of the President to call out 50 or 60 men to recover them.

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March 1, 1824. Proclamation calling legislative committee to meet at a place "about a mile from the deserted fields of Tallahassee, where the old Spanish road is intersected by a small trail running southwardly." This was the beginning of Tallahassee as the capital.

Tallahassee, August 3, 1824. Explains that Tallahassee was chosen because it is in the center of the largest body of rich land in Florida, must "forever remain the center of our population."

January 5, 1825, to G. Humphries, Indian agent. Where owners identify fugitive slaves, surrender them to the marshal to take before the Federal judge at St. Augustine. If white and Indian claim the same slave, he must appear before the judge and defend the rights of the Indian. Must use discretion about removing free negroes from the Indian country.

November 15, 1825. Highflown address to a committee about Lafayette (does not name him), recommending an invitation to visit Florida. Also to exempt his land from taxation.

October 26, 1824. Sent to New Orleans for specie to pay Indians, who were about to depart, for their improvements.

November 25, 1825. Estimates value of property wrecked on Florida coast annually at half a million. This gives excuse for smuggling. Many engaged in smuggling and piracy.

September 1, 1834. Election returns show 103 votes in Leon County. Total for Territory, 2,428.

In the second volume may be found several letters relating to the boundary dispute with Georgia and several relating to Indian troubles. In the third volume some of Governor Moseley's papers, such as letters, inaugural addresses, and messages. August 5, 1845, letter to S. R. Mallory, replying to his request for pardon of certain negroes made in behalf of the owner. As request is backed by the grand jury, he will grant it, if legal to do so before conviction.

August 18, 1845, to Joseph Clisbey. He learns that Joshua Knowles, secretary of the constitutional convention, deposited the original manuscript records of the convention with him, and that he is desirous of disposing of them for the benefit of the public. Suggests that he deposit them with the secretary of state. The only trace of these found was an incomplete journal noted below.

Proclamations, A to C, January 22, 1866–November 29, 1892, four volumes. D, 1897–1906.

Death warrants, 1897 to date.

Requisitions for fugitives from justice, A to E, February 20, 1869, to date, five volumes (vault).

Secretary's correspondence, July 28, 1845–October, 1900, seven volumes (vault).

Civil and military nominations made by governor during recess, 1834–1836. Not many (vault).

Register of civil officers, 1827 to date, six volumes (vault).

Record of commissions, July 25, 1845–September 26, 1872, forty-eight volumes (vault, except L, which was in the office.) A8–11, 1902–1905, four volumes. B1, 1901–1904. C3–C4, 1902–1905, two volumes. P1–P3, 1905–6, three volumes.

Military commissions, E and B, September 13, 1861–May 2, 1865 (vault).

Record of commissions, State militia, June 6, 1870–April 30, 1875 (vault).

Commissions, letters, etc., July 25, 1849–December 12, 1853, two volumes.

Election returns. In the earlier years no separate book was kept for these. A few may be found in Governor Duval's letter book. The second volume listed above under executive correspondence consists mainly of election returns. Others

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may be found in similar or in miscellaneous records. One volume of "Election returns," otherwise unmarked, but evidently intended as A, covers 1865–1887. B begins with 1884 and is followed by five others to date.

In addition to election returns, Volume A also contains some executive proclamations, orders, etc. First entry, November 25, 1865, gives result, tabulated by counties, of election for Congressman and several State officials. For Congress, Ferdinand McLeod received 2,192 votes, a plurality out of 5,040. Congressional election of 1868, total vote 11,539. Election (1876) returns for State officials, Presidential electors, and Congressman. Details given by counties. First count gave Republican candidates a majority. Signed only by James B. McLin, secretary of state, and A. C. Cowgill, comptroller. Followed by returns for Presidential electors as made out by the new returning board under a special act of the legislature. Gives Democratic electors a majority. Hardly so much as a hint is given of the stirring times then on. Some of the later volumes contain notices of elections, copies of returns from the counties, commissions of appointments to fill vacancies, newspaper clippings giving tabulated results of elections. For the last three years the original returns have been preserved and bound together, the secretary of state simply tabulating the result.

Registration of voters, 1867 (basement). Printed forms, including the "ironclad oath," with space for names of voters. Most of the volumes contain space for 1,000 names; the others for 500. Some distinguish by color. For example, in Jefferson County there were 143 white and 226 colored voters; in Columbia County there were 1,168 voters. A few in this county had been marked out as not allowed to vote. The heaviest registration appears to have been in the black belt. Leon County had 3,490 votes and Madison 2,104. Escambia had only 954 and St. Johns 423, though it is possible that some returns from these counties were missing.

Articles of incorporation, January, 1874, to date, six volumes. There is some overlapping of dates. For example, one covers 1874–1884 and another 1876–1893. Index found in separate volume.

Letters Patent, A to E, October 14, 1890–May 10, 1904, five volumes.

Registration of automobiles, 1905–6.

Registration of chauffeurs, 1905–6.

Records of sales of public lands, May, 1825–March, 1826. Gives names of purchaser and amount paid. September 26, 1826, deposited $19,031,655 in Bank of Mobile to the credit of the United States Treasurer.

Preemption entries, 1827; credit sales of public lands, 1827, in same volume.

Total sales, first quarter	$57,610.41
Incidental expenses	451.00
Register's commission of 1 per cent on receipts	576.09
My own commission at 1 per cent on $70,382.51	703.82
Total	2,730.91
Paid surveyor	[a] 1,000.00

Volume closes April, 1831 (vault).

Records of preempted lands, 1888–89 (vault).

Commissioner of deeds, No. 1, 1905 to date.

Mortgages, A, June 30, 1890–February 17, 1905.

Mortgages (railroads), B, August, 1900–1906.

Deeds of State property, 1903 to date.

Trade-marks, A, 1902–1906.

[a] Figures given as found.

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Journal of the Constitutional Convention at St. Joseph (a town no longer in existence) (vault). Began December 3, 1838. Last entry in the journal under date of December 26. That day the convention adopted a resolution that all land should be taxed according to value.[a] The journal is incomplete. In 1845 Governor Mosely directed that the original manuscript be deposited with the secretary of state, but no trace of it was found. This was the convention which formed the constitution under which the State was admitted in 1845.

Journal of the Convention of the People of Florida (vault). Met January 3, 1861. John C. McGehee elected president January 5. His speech is recorded; also the prayer of the chaplain. Ordinance of secession adopted January 10; yeas, 62; nays, 7. Joseph A. Collier and S. S. Alderman explained that they favored awaiting the action of Georgia and Alabama, but after the convention decided against this, they voted for the ordinance "to prevent any injurious effects which might arise from a large negative vote being recorded against secession." January 21 the convention took a recess subject to recall by the president, or by the governor in case of disability of the president. April 18 it was called together to adopt the Confederate constitution, elect delegates to the provisional congress and adopt a State constitution. Also takes up the question of internal improvements, revealing the fact that 416 miles of railroad had been put in operation within the last five years. April 27, adjourns sine die, unless reassembled by the president on or before December 25. January, 1862, meets again to consider the financial condition of the State. Names of two persons who had taken the oath of allegiance to the United States are stricken from the roll of membership. Final adjournment January 27, 1862.

Journal of the Constitutional Convention, 1885, vol. 2 (vault). Begins with the afternoon session of the thirty-ninth day, July 25. Adjourned August 5, 1885. The first volume was not found. Neither was any trace found of any records of the constitutional convention of 1868.

Census returns. Original returns from Hernando and Marion counties, 1855; for 1867, Madison, Orange, and Santa Rosa counties (vault). For 1875, original returns from 17 counties (basement). Gives name of every person residing in the county, age, sex, color, and profession. Also value of real and personal property, number of acres planted in cotton, corn, and sugar cane; number of orange trees, and number bearing. For 1875, returns from 22 counties. This is a census of male inhabitants 21 years of age, giving color, nationality, number not naturalized, and number not registered; also school attendance and number of illiterates (basement). Compilation of foregoing (vault). Compiler failed to fill in names of counties. For 1885, list of persons, giving place of abode, color, sex, and age, one volume.

School census, 1896, six volumes (five in the basement and one in the vault); for 1900, 14 counties (ten in basement and four in vault).

Comptroller's book, July, 1845–January, 1861 (vault).

Comptroller's letters, 1861–1867 (vault).

Auditor's report, 1831–1845 (vault).

Treasurer's account book, 1866–1880, three volumes (vault); 1876 and 1877 missing.

Record of Treasury notes, 1861–1865 (vault). October, December, issued $23,758 worth of two-dollar bills, series B; three destroyed March 22, 1862; $13,362 worth of three-dollar bills; $288,000 of one-hundred-dollar Treasury notes. October, 1861–February, 1863, $6,009.90 of ten-cent notes; $15,024.75 of

[a] Hitherto it had been divided into three classes and taxed at so much per acre.

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twenty-five-cent notes; $30,049.50 of fifty-cent notes. March, 1863, $21,956 of one-dollar notes; $21,956 of two-dollar notes; $32,934 of three-dollar notes; $70,560 of five-dollar notes; $152,600 of ten-dollar notes. January 1, 1865, $40,000 of fifty-dollar notes; [a] $120,000 of one-hundred-dollar notes; $190,000 of five-hundred-dollar notes. April, 1865, received for signature $363,600 of the denominations, $50, $100, and $500. April 26, returned to the Treasury $13,600. April 27, burned $115.05 as defective in signing.[b]

Warrants and receipts, 1856–57 (vault).

Criminal, trial, and chancery dockets, 1840 (vault). Evidently out of place.

Miscellaneous records, 1845–1865. Contains bonds of comptroller, commutations, pardons, proclamations, election returns, and census returns.

May 26, 1846, the Southern Life Insurance and Trust Company presented five of its bonds, guaranteed by the Territory, to be canceled.

October 12, 1852, a proclamation taking the Indian chief under protection because outlawed by his tribe for acting as guide to the United States troops.

Whole number of votes for Congressmen, 1852, 9,166.

Election returns by counties, 1856. Total vote for the Democratic electors, 6,308; for the opposition, 4,833.

September 7, 1859, Governor M. S. Perry made an appointment "of the independence of the United States the eighty-fourth year, and of the independence of Florida the fifteenth year."

In 1860, several proclamations to apprehend negro slaves, one charged with assault on a white man, one from Georgia charged with arson, and one from Alabama charged with stealing.

January 5, 1861, order by Governor Perry to seize arsenal, arms, and ammunition of United States on Apalachicola River,

February 2, 1863, election returns for Congressmen (Confederate). Total vote, first district, 2,871. No returns from six counties. Returns from soldiers located in six different places out of the State.

October 5, 1863, another Congressional election. Five candidates. Total vote, 3,381. No returns from two counties and two rejected. Second district, four candidates. Total vote, 3,675. One county rejected. Returns from soldiers in several camps.

November 2, 1864, letter of governor reveals the fact that some county officers in Duval had been captured. An informal election had been held to fill the vacancies. The governor held that capture did not create a vacancy, unless the officers had gone over to the enemy willingly.

Last entry, February 23, 1865, notes the appointment of Neil Hendry as trustee to provide for relief of families of soldiers and of others needing assistance.

This volume also contains a description of the Florida flag:[c]

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[a] Signed by the secretary for the governor.

[b] The actual number of names written in signing the treasury notes, as computed by the secretary, was 721,188. The number signed in series B was 180,297.

[c] "The one half of the Flag next to the Staff is blue; the other half has alternately one red, one white, one red stripe. Each stripe [three in all] of equal width and perpendicular to the staff. [The stripes are the same as the Confederate stripes, only they form one half the Flag.] On the blue ground, and occupying somewhat more than one half of it is an Elliptical band [the axis of the ellipsis is in the proportion of fifteen to thirteen, the longitudinal axis parallel with the Flag Staff] bearing superiorly 'In God is our Trust' — Inferiorly — Florida — making as it were — a frame for the Shield. In the center of the Ellipse is a single strong live Oak Tree. Beyond it is seen the Gulf of Mexico, with vessels in the distance. In front and near the foot of the Oak is a piece of Field Artillery. Beyond the gun, and resting against the boll of the Oak, is a second stand of six colors—the Confederate and State Flags, to the front. To the left of the Field piece are four Muskets stacked. To the right and near, balls piled, and a drum." The description is followed by the statement that the flag had been deposited in the executive chamber. Signed by M. S. Perry, governor.

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Legislative Papers.

Engrossed copies of Territorial and State laws, September 16, 1822, to date, 70 volumes (vault). The supreme court library has a complete set of the printed laws. No complete set found elsewhere.

Legislative journals, 6 volumes, in same vault with the engrossed laws; rest in another vault across the hall. Incomplete. The earlier ones are missing; also some of the later volumes. The State does not appear to have a complete set of the printed journals. The earliest found was for 1836, in the office of the secretary of state. Putting those in this office with those in the governor's office, the file is nearly complete to the civil war; 1840 missing, but may be found among the originals. For the later years the assistant secretary assured the writer that the printed copies were more accurate, as the written copies were made from these.

Minutes of legislative committees, only a few volumes.

Report of special committee on Territorial bonds. In 1868 the constitutional convention passed an ordinance directing the governor to appoint a committee to investigate the affairs of the Union Bank and report upon the liability of the State for the bonds issued by the Territory for the benefit of this bank in 1834, 1836, and 1838. The committee was appointed, made its report, and drew its pay, but it does not appear that any attention was ever paid to the report by the governor or the legislature. The chairman of the committee was Hon. J. T. Bernard, and the original of the report is still in his possession. The first part of the report simply rehashes reports of legislative committees made in 1840 and 1842. The committee conclude that the Territorial governor and legislature had no authority to issue these bonds, and that they were void ab initio. Neither the United States nor the State of Florida is under any obligations to pay them, yet the honor of each requires that some effort be made to satisfy the claims. They recite that the United States still possess several million acres of land in Florida, and they recommend giving the bondholders 1 acre of land for ever dollar's worth of bonds.[a]

Newspapers.

The Pensacola Gazette and West Florida Advertiser, March 13, 1824–July 28, 1829, two volumes. Apparently complete for those years.

Two volumes of odd numbers of fourteen different papers published at Pensacola, Quincy, Apalachicola, St. Joseph, Tallahassee, and St. Augustine. They range from 1838 to 1846. These papers, especially the continuous files of the Pensacola Gazette, are valuable, as they contain the proceedings of the legislative council, laws, etc., with occasional illuminating notes. They also give ordinances of town councils, some of which probably can not be found elsewhere. For example, in 1838, the council of Apalachicola passed an ordinance taxing lawyers and physicians $10; every male 21 years of age and thirty days a resident, $2; every slave 10 to 60 years of age, $2; and every free person of color, $25. The same ordinance was repeated in 1840.[b] Election returns may be found also. In 1827 the total vote for Delegate to Congress was 1,300.[c]

[a] Judge Bernard said the move was part of a scheme of the carpetbaggers to make something out of the bonds. At that time Dr. Charles J. English had charge of the assets of the bank, which suspended long before the war. When he was summoned to appear and produce the assets he disappeared, declaring that the carpetbaggers should not make anything out of it. The writer was unable to locate any of the records of the bank in Tallahassee.

[b] Apalachicola Gazette, March 1, 1838, June 23, 1840.

[c] Pensacola Gazette, May 18, 1827.

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No attempt was made to examine the archives of any other office at the capitol. A clerk who had been in the comptroller's office twenty years and whose father had been there before him was sure that they had nothing antedating 1870. The Hon. W. H. Mabry, clerk of the supreme court, formerly a member, keeps the court records in good shape. No effort was made to see whether the earlier records had been preserved. Soon after the State was admitted to the Union Mr. E. A. Thompson, a member of the supreme court, was appointed to codify the laws and also to codify the laws of England in force in the colonies in 1776. The former was published, the latter was not. It is still preserved in very neat manuscript, and was shown to the writer by Judge Mabry.

OFFICE OF THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL, UNITED STATES.

These records are mentioned in connection with those of the State because, though not in the hands of State officials at present, they probably will be soon. At the time of the writer's visit the surveyor-general, Hon. S. B. Chapin, was absent, but the assistant in charge showed every courtesy of attention. The office is located in the post-office building. Some time ago President Roosevelt ordered the abolition of the office and the transfer of the records to the secretary of state. Not being able to take proper care of his own records, the secretary of state secured a modification of the order, making it effective in July, 1907, in order to give the legislature an opportunity to provide a place for the records. The presumption is that they will be located in or near the capitol. At present they are nicely arranged in a fireproof vault. They consist of:

Miscellaneous matter, ten volumes in one set. Two volumes, marked A, B, consists of translations of Spanish records, 1781–1821, made under the act of Congress of March 3, 1825, and begun at Pensacola July 25, 1827. Among the other volumes may be found copies of grants made by the Spanish governors and memorials on which grants were based (in Spanish), report of the land commissioner and register of claims for East Florida, and the report of the register of land claims, giving evidence in support of claims. The last was printed in the American State Papers.

Private claims in West Florida, giving synoptic history of private claims presented for confirmation. Indexed. The same for East Florida, three volumes.

Claims, 1790, a few unbound papers.

Field notes, 1821, sixty-three volumes, about 18 by 10 inches; 194 volumes, about 10 by 4 inches, all belonging to the same set. All leather bound.

Field notes of surveys, nineteen volumes, very large. Contain plots.

Boundary line between Alabama and Florida, surveyed in 1799–1800 by Andrew Ellicott and resurveyed by D. F. Whitner, 1853–54.

Georgia and Florida boundary line, beginning at the eighty-sixth meridian. (This, of course, is west of Georgia.) Many small plots.

Surveys of numerous keys.

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REPORT ON THE LOCAL RECORDS OF GEORGIA.[a]

By Miss JULIA A. FLISCH, of Augusta.

THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF RICHMOND COUNTY, GEORGIA.

RECORDS IN THE ORDINARY'S OFFICE, AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

In Georgia, the office of ordinary, or of the judge of the court of ordinary, to use his official title, is a very important one. Under his supervision are the affairs that most deeply concern the domestic life and the property rights of the people. He has jurisdiction over the administration of estates, guardianship, and marriage licenses, he tries lunacy cases, and in some counties has control of habeas corpus cases and exercises concurrent jurisdiction with the judges of the superior and city courts in granting homesteads.

The evolution of the ordinary is an interesting study in State history. At first all local affairs, from the laying out of a hamlet or town to the renting of the commons thereof, were administered by the State through commissions appointed by the legislature, but as early as 1791 the State began to relinquish certain powers and privileges to the counties. In that year, by special statutes, functions originally exercised by the State were vested in specific cases in local officers, usually the justices of the inferior courts of the counties. There was at that time no supreme court in Georgia and each county had its inferior and superior court. As the State increased in wealth and populousness more and more of the functions of government were transferred to the justices of the inferior courts. The matters usually intrusted to them were the laying out of roads within the county, and their maintenance, the charge of bridges and ferries, the erection and supervision of court-houses and jails, the maintenance of the poor, the direction of such public schools as were then in existence, and the licensing and regulation of public taverns and inns. For the support of these various enterprises the justices of the court were at first authorized by statute in specific cases to levy extra

[a] For previous reports on the State and local archives of Georgia, see American Historical Association Reports, 1903, I, pp. 439–474; ibid., 1904, pp. 555–596.

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taxes; later one-half of the general tax collected was set aside for county purposes, but the State reserved to itself the right to direct the outlay of even the county moiety.

When the supreme court was organized the inferior court was abolished, its powers and duties being transferred to the superior court or divided between that court and the ordinary.

In many counties a board of county commissioners, or commissioners of roads and revenues, divide the responsibility of county administration with the court of ordinary. In counties where there are no such officers the duties usually executed by them devolve upon the ordinary.

Richmond County, originally St. Paul's Parish, is the second oldest county in the State, and has for its county seat Augusta, the city second in age and third in wealth and population in the State. The county is fortunate in having preserved its records practically intact from very early times. These are, for the most part, in the office of the ordinary at Augusta. The county has, moreover. been fortunate in the officers who have held the position of ordinary, who seem to have been, without exception, men of ability and culture, so that through their interest and care the county is exceptionally rich in valuable historic material.

The ordinary's office in Richmond County was originally established as the court of register, and the officer in charge was known as the register of probate. The oldest will book extant is one running back to 1777. The first will recorded is that of Moses Dyass, made April, 1767, and probated August 16, 1777. The first register of probate was William Jackson, of whom we know little except that he wrote a clear, legible hand, and was evidently a man of education and ability.

In 1791 the office of register was changed to the court of ordinary, the judges of the inferior court administering its affairs as judges of the court of ordinary.

In 1852 the office of judge of the court of ordinary was created and the administration of the business of the court was taken out of the hands of the justices of the inferior courts and put in charge of the new judge, who has been and still is more generally known as the ordinary.

The documents preserved in the court of ordinary are, as before mentioned, wills and testamentary dispositions of property, and the reports of executors, administrators, and guardians. Besides these there are:

The minute books of the register of probate and of the probate court from 1791 to 1852.

The minutes of the ordinary from 1852 to the present time.

Tax digests from 1798 to present time.

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BOUND RECORDS.

Session Laws of Georgia: 1811 to 1822, 1818 missing; 1822 to 1848, 1844, 1846, and 1848 missing; 1849 to 1866, 1867 missing; 1868 to the present time.

Journals of the house and senate of the State, from 1799 to present time; very few volumes missing.

Supreme court decisions from the establishment of the court to present, 1846 to 1906.

MISCELLANEOUS WORKS.

Hotchkiss: Statute Laws of Georgia, 1848.
Cobb's New Digest, 1851.
Cobb: Statutes and Forms, 1859.
Reese. Treatise on Laws of Executors, Administrators, and Guardians, 1880.
Georgia Code, 1882.
Code of Georgia, two volumes, 1895.
Blount: Georgia Forms and Practice.
Augusta City directories, 1902, 1903, and 1904.

NEWSPAPER FILES.

In addition to these records, the ordinary has started a collection of the local newspapers beginning with the year 1868. He has at present files of the following:

The Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel, July, 1868, to June, 1877.

The Augusta Constitutionalist, July, 1868, to December, 1876.

Augusta Chronicle and Constitutionalist (a merger of the two former), January, 1878, to May 6, 1885.

The Augusta Chronicle, same as above under a new name, May 7, 1885, to date.

The Daily National Republican, July, 1868, to December, 1868.

The Daily Press, January, 1869, to April 18, 1869.

The Augusta Herald.

One cause of the preservation of these records, as well as of the order and system in keeping them, has been the continuity of service of the men who have filled the position of ordinary. They have been trained in the service and have brought to bear a valuable experience and skill. The present incumbent is himself the fourth of his family to hold the position, and the history of the court of ordinary of Richmond is a record of fidelity and efficiency of which he may well be proud. The first of the name to administer the office of judge of the ordinary's court was Robert Walton, who was justice of the inferior court and judge of the court of ordinary from July 30, 1799, to his death in 1800. His son, Robert Walton, does not seem to have held the position of judge, but was clerk, and performed most of the duties of the office from September 3, 1827, to June 23, 1828, when he resigned to take the presidency of one of the city banks. Anderson W. Walton, son of the second Robert, was ordinary from May, 1879, to his death January 13, 1885, and was succeeded by his son, Alexander

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R. Walton, the present incumbent, great grandson of the first Robert and the fourth of his family to hold position in the ordinary's office of Richmond County.

ARCHIVES OF THE CITY OF AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

For want of proper accommodation, the records of the city of Augusta are not as convenient of access as they should be. One small room or closet is assigned to them, where they are bestowed without regard to chronological order. They have suffered some vicissitudes also from floods and removals, which have marred the appearance of some of them. On the whole, however, they are remarkably well preserved, and much valuable material for the study of municipal history of early Georgia may be gleaned from their yellow pages.

OFFICE OF TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR.

In Augusta the offices of treasurer and tax collector are one, and it contains the most valuable records of the city. These are as follows:

The minute books of the city council from 1804 to the present time, and the ordinances of the city council from 1829 to date. There are also a number of city codes, but the series is broken.

Office-holding in the early days was evidently regarded as no sinecure, for in the minutes of the council for 1807 we read: "Mr. Augustus Baldwin, having been elected by city council intendant, declined to serve and was fined. Fine afterwards remitted."

Among the fines imposed March 5, 1808, is this one: "Mr. Richards, for purchasing a goose before it had reached the market house." On the same day Mr. Ferdinand Phinizy was fined for keeping a fire in his kitchen after 9 o'clock at night.

January, 1818, the office of intendant was changed to mayor. It is related of one of the first mayors of the city that he served for several years without compensation, and the very year a salary was attached to the position he was defeated for reelection.

The paid officers of the city in 1820 were: Street officer, sheriff, attorney for council, pump contractor, keeper to magazine, clerk of market, city marshal, sexton, treasurer and collector, clerk of city council, city scavenger.

In 1824 the list of officers, with their salaries, were as follows: City marshal, $600; three city constables, each $200; clerk of council, $400; street officer, $900; keeper of magazine, $300; clerk of market, $350.

The market was at that time a profitable source of income. At first there was but one market, which stood at the intersection of Broad and Center streets, just where the trade from South Carolina flowed across the bridge over the Savannah River. Later a second market was established about 1 mile above. The two were then distinguished as the upper and lower markets. The upper market, however, was never of so much importance as the lower, and its clerk always received a smaller salary.

In 1829 a tax was assessed on the capital stock of every bank, insurance company, wharf company, and office of discount and deposit, as well as on every broker or firm of brokers. The rate was one-fourth of 1 per cent on the appraised value.

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In 1830 the first waterworks system was established. The work was undertaken by private enterprise, and the city entered into a contract with the company for twenty-five years by which the company was to furnish the city water for a certain number of hydrants free of charge, and was to have in return the privilege of selling to individuals at a stated price. The water was brought from the Turknett springs, a few miles from the city. According to contract the city was to have the option of purchasing the plant at the expiration of the contract, but the demands far exceeded the capacity of the water supply, and when the city built its great canal it established also its own water supply, using the river and settling basins.

By 1843 a city surveyor had been added to the list of officers and the city had a board of fire wardens serving without pay. A board of health was also established, consisting of the mayor and four councilmen, also serving without pay.

The fees of the city sexton were elaborately set forth in the minutes of council for this year: For digging a grave, $1.50; for attending a funeral without hearse, $1; for attending a funeral with hearse, $2; special or general invitation, $1.50; attention without the corporate limits and within 3 miles, double price.

Between 1845 and 1847 the first canal, Augusta's greatest enterprise, was completed. Later it was enlarged and is now the most potent factor in the prosperity not only of Augusta but of a large contiguous territory.

CITY TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

In the tax assessor's office are the real estate field books, giving plats and detailed description of all the real estate of the city in the different wards. These records extend far back, but the earlier volumes are not labeled, and some of them are not dated, so that it required more time than your reporter had to give, to determine the exact date of their beginning.

In the same department, though pertaining rather to the mayor's jurisdiction, are the records of the recorder's (municipal) court and the reports of the keeper of the city cemetery.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COUNCIL.

In the office of the clerk of council are to be found the yearbooks of the city from 1884 to date, only 1889 being missing.

NOTE.—In addition to the documents and publications mentioned above, there is in the private possession of Mr. Philip S. North, tax collector and treasurer of the city of Augusta, a very valuable pamphlet: "History of the Confederate Powder Works." This pamphlet is a complete record of the establishment of the works which furnished almost the sole supply of powder to the Confederate army, and the story of the obstacles that had to be overcome, the expedients adopted, and the wonderful success of the enterprise is one of the most interesting episodes of the inner history of the war from the southern side. The pamphlet is the published address

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delivered before the Confederate Survivors' Association at its fourth annual meeting, April 26, 1882, by Col. George W. Raines, and there are, so far as known, not more than two or three copies in existence. Colonel Raines had full charge and control of the powder works, originated the plans for their construction, invented many of the devices used, and was the power behind the throne that made it possible for the South, despite its lack of resources, to keep its armies in the field and supplied with ammunition during the four years of the war.

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A PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE OHIO ARCHIVES.

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INTRODUCTION.

The State of Ohio has not yet reached the advanced position of some other States in the establishment of a central agency for the care and use of its official archives. Steps were taken to call the attention of members of the senate and house of representatives at the session of the legislature of 1906 to the importance of the matter, and it is hoped that it will not be long ere the consideration of the question will result in such an organization of means to centralize the official records and put them under the charge of a department of archives and history as will satisfy the demands of the most exacting lover of order. While it is not difficult to gain access to the various departments of State and to have the privilege of examining them, yet the departmental control of records and the overlapping of interests and the common use in some cases of the same vaults for their preservation render it difficult for the student, not to say the regular official, to discover what he may want among the stored records of the State.

This is not to say that Ohio lacks the spirit of the historian or is not proud of her possessions of the sort named, for the numerous historical societies and the increasing care of county records and the general and growing interest in the collection of old manuscripts and records of all sorts attest the desire to preserve archives after the most approved fashion.

That the State is on the up grade in the effort to complete and preserve its records is to be seen from the "Act to create a bureau of inspection and supervision of public offices, and to establish a uniform system of public accounting, auditing, and reporting under the administration of the auditor of the State, as amended April 25, 1904."

STATE PUBLICATIONS.

The first publications of Ohio were the laws of the governors and judges adopted under the Territorial government.

From the organization of the State in 1803 until 1835 the State publications consisted of the laws, the senate journal, and the house

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journal. In the journals appeared the reports of the State officers, together with the reports of the investigating committees.

In 1835 the regular reports of the State officers and institutions were first published separately from the journals. All the reports of each year were bound together in a series known as the "Legislative Documents," but now called the "Executive Documents." All special reports were published either in the journals, in the appendices to the journals, or in separate form.

Since 1854 the agricultural reports have been left out of the Executive Documents; others are now regularly omitted, while still others appear at irregular intervals.

A list of the publications of the State ordered by law was compiled by R. P. Hayes and published in 1897 under the title "Publications of the State of Ohio, 1803–1896," a pamphlet containing 71 pages. It contains an index to the "Executive Documents."

"State Publications, Part II: North Central States," was compiled by R. R. Bowker, 1902. The Ohio section, occupying 19 pages, was organized by R. P. Hayes, with additional matter furnished by C. B. Galbreath, State librarian. There is no criticism to be made touching the subject-matter of the report, but with regard to its form one has been offered by Miss A. R. Hasse, in the Library Journal, 1903, page 78, in which she says, speaking of the whole of Part II, that "the matter of arrangement and construction" could be advantageously overhauled and improved.

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS.

Under the title of "Newspapers and Periodicals in Ohio State Library, other Libraries of the State and Lists of Ohio Newspapers in the Library of Congress and Historical Society of Wisconsin," compiled by C. B. Galbreath, State librarian, and published in 1902, containing 268 pages, may be found valuable lists of newspapers and periodicals, though much compressed and stripped of all but most necessary details.

In line with this it is worth noting that since March, 1850, county auditors have been required to keep in their offices bound volumes of leading political papers of opposite parties published in their respective counties.

The first paper published northwest of the Ohio River was edited by William Maxwell, under the title of "The Centinel of the Northwestern Territory, November 9, 1793." His log-cabin office occupied the corner of Front and Sycamore streets, Cincinnati, Ohio. The type of each page filled a space 8½ by 10¼ inches. In 1797 it was sold and the name changed to Freeman's Journal. The new paper was published for a time in Chillicothe. The outfit was bought by Nathaniel Willis, grandfather of N. P. Willis, the poet. At the time he was

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editor of the Scioto Gazette, into which he merged the Journal. The date of the first issue of the Gazette is doubtful, although the Willis family give it as 1798. However, it is certain that the paper has been published continuously under the same name since April, 1800.

A bound volume of the first year of the Centinel is now in the State library. No complete file of the Gazette exists, for some of the early copies were destroyed by fire. The State library has only a few of the early ones, but the Wisconsin Historical Society has a considerable number. Scattered numbers, 1800 to 1822 and file from 1823 to date are to be found in the Gazette office, Chillicothe, Ohio. At the Ohio centenary, celebrated in Chillicothe, the early files were drawn upon for a centenary edition of the Gazette, which is of much value for the student of the founding of the State.

ORGANIZATION OF OHIO.

First in order comes the famous ordinance of 1787, "An Ordinance for the Government of the Territory of the United States North West of the Ohio River," adopted by the Congress of the Confederation July 13, 1787. The text can be found in a volume of territorial laws printed in Cincinnati in the year 1796 by authority, W. Maxwell, jr., and known as "Maxwell's Code, 1796." How long this immortal document antedated the Constitution of the United States will be seen from the fact that the latter was not adopted by the convention till the 17th of September following.

Next comes the act of Congress dividing the Northwest Territory into the Northwest Territory (of Ohio) and the Territory of Indiana. This was done May 7, 1800.

Next followed the act of Congress directing the creation of the State of Ohio. This was done April 30, 1802, with a supplementary act, March 3, 1803.

In order came the act of Congress recognizing the State of Ohio as a member of the Union, February 19, 1803.

The series of Congressional acts was closed with the act ordering the designation of boundary by a new survey of the western and northern boundaries of Ohio, May 20, 1812.

Retracing our steps, we note the use of powers within the Territory and State for self-organization.

First in order was the first legislative council of the Northwest Territory. In this the first officers were elected by Congress, as follows: Governor, Arthur St. Clair (Pennsylvania); secretary, Winthrop Sargent; judges, Samuel H. Parsons (Connecticut), John Armstrong (Pennsylvania), Return Jonathan Meigs, James M. Varnum (Rhode Island).

It was not till the 7th of April, 1788, that the *Mayflower*, with a party of 46 New England emigrants arrived at the mouth of the

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Muskingum River. In the absence of the constituted authority, Col. Return Jonathan Meigs, father of the judge of that name, drew up a code of rules on a sheet of paper of ordinary foolscap, which he published by tacking them to the trunk of a large oak tree on the site of the infant settlement. After three months St. Clair arrived and set up his official family as follows: Governor, Arthur St. Clair; secretary, Winthrop Sargent; judges, Parsons and Varnum. Colonel Armstrong had declined to come. Between July 25 and December 28, 1788, this council published laws at Marietta. These all bear the signatures of St. Clair, Parsons, and Varnum, and in addition appears the name of John Cleves Symmes to the law of August 30, but to none other. In legislation the territorial government was limited to a selection from the laws of older States.

The second legislative council, organized in 1789, left no public record of its acts.

The third legislative council was held, 1790, in the farther west, at Vincennes, generally known then as "au Post." This council published laws which were afterwards repealed by act of Congress as having no foundation in the older laws limited by the ordinance of 1787. These had to do with the prohibition of sales or gift of intoxicating liquors to Indians, and the restriction of sale of arms and ammunition, and the suppression of gambling. In November the council moved to Cincinnati, and passed laws governing the terms of courts.

"The Laws of 1791" were published in Cincinnati in the summer of 1791, signed by St. Clair, Symmes, and Turner.

"The Laws of 1792" were acts of the session held in Cincinnati prior to the 1st of August, and bore the signatures of W. Sargent (acting governor), Symmes, and Putnam. These laws are found in a published volume of the date of 1792, Philadelphia, and certified by Winthrop Sargent, secretary.

"The Laws of 1795." The council sat in the town of Cincinnati, and devoted the months of June, July and August to revising the code then in use in the Territory and to repealing those objected to by Congress. This was a very important session. The sitting members were St. Clair and Judges Symmes and Turner, who certified and caused to be published on the dates mentioned in each case acts which were printed by William Maxwell, and which came to be known as "The Maxwell Code."

Note the following of interest: The act of July 14, declaring what laws shall be in force (Virginia), was made effective October 1. "Common law of England; acts of Parliament prior to the fourth year of King James I," not local in character, etc. As no one had the English acts there was endless confusion in the Territory. The codes of New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, and

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Virginia were freely drawn upon for authority, and doubtless literally copied in many cases.

The fourth legislative council was organized in 1797, and Judge Putnam was succeeded by Joseph Gilman, of Point Harmar, Putnam being made Surveyor-General of the United States. This council left no record of new legislation in this year.

The fifth legislative council, organized in 1798, met in Cincinnati April 23, 1798, and passed laws, all of which bear the date of May 1, borrowing from the States above mentioned, and in three instances from Kentucky.

This ended the separate legislative acts of the Territorial council.

THE FIRST TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE.

First session.—On the 16th of Septemebr, 1799, this body met in Cincinnati, and was composed of two houses—the council (appointed) and the house of representatives (elected). There were in the former six members and in the latter twenty-two. Its acts numbered thirty-eight, and laid the foundation for much of the subsequent law of the Territory and of the States carved from it. The acts are to be found in a volume printed by Carpenter & Findlay, Cincinnati, 1800. The book is now in the Supreme Court Library, Columbus, Ohio.

Second session.—This session was held in Chillicothe, Ohio, November 3, 1800. Signs of approaching disagreement with the governor now appear. The acts passed numbered twenty-six. Winship & Willis were the printers. Among the interesting bills passed were several appropriations for cost of the enforced removal of the seat of government from Cincinnati to Chillicothe.

THE SECOND TERRITORIAL LEGISLATURE.

This was convened at Chillicothe on Monday, the 23d of November, 1801, under the proclamation of the governor, St. Clair. In the senate were four members and in the house twenty-one. Forty acts and six resolutions made up the work of this session. The printer was N. Willis, Chillicothe, and the volume containing the laws is in the Supreme Court Library, Columbus.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO.

The representatives of the first constitutional convention met in Chillicothe on the 1st of November, 1802, and completed their labors by the ratification, on the 29th of that month, of the first constitution of the State of Ohio. It made provision for the election, by popular vote, of the governor, for the election of the secretary of state by joint vote of the house and the senate, the same method to apply in the

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choice of supreme judges, the state treasurer and auditor to be elected triennially by a joint ballot of both houses of the legislature.

The only vote cast against the question of forming a constitution and State government was by that indomitable Whig, Judge Ephraim Cutler, thirty-two voting in the affirmative.

By a vote of 19 to 15, on the 22d of November, it was decided to allow suffrage to "all male negroes and mulattoes," but on the 26th of the same month it was voted by 18 to 17 to strike out the provision granting suffrage to these persons.

This constitution lasted until 1850, when a convention was held at Cincinnati, March 10, 1851, the result being the second (present) constitution of the State.

This constitution provided for the election of the governor, lieutenant-governor, secretary of state, treasurer of state, auditor of state, and an attorney-general on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November by the electors of the State (as amended October 13, 1865).

The first constitution had not been submitted to a popular vote, the resolution to do so being defeated by a vote of 7 to 27.

The second constitution was approved by popular vote.

A third constitutional convention was held in 1873, but the constitution reported to the people of the State was not accepted, and the second still stands, with such amendments as have been made from time to time, as the fundamental law of the State.

STATE OFFICERS.

The great majority of the offices of the State are located in the capitol proper, a few having been lately transferred to the annex, which lies to the east of the main building. The annex is a new, very complete, well-appointed edifice, occupied by the supreme court, attorney-general, department of agriculture, department of highways, and law library. Some of the archives of these offices are in the vaults underlying the main capitol building, the rest upon the shelves of the respective offices, in steel cases, bound volumes, and bundles.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

In the office of the governor are to be found the usual materials necessary for the current work of the executive department. All the records are in good condition in the rooms on the main floor.

Among the records are the following:

1. "General Record," the journal of official life of the department, 25 volumes, dating from 1803.

2. "Appointment Records," all appointments made by the governor, 10 volumes, from 1803. In this section are also notarial records.

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3. "Record of Requisitions," 6 volumes, dealing with extradition matters.
4. "Records of Restoration to Citizenship," 5 volumes.
5. "Record of Pardons."

In these rooms there are also complete files of all reports from State institutions and special commissions. All easily accessible and in good state of preservation.

In the vaults belonging to this department are to be found, in boxes, voluminous bundles of notarial applications, reports, transfers, applications, executive orders, pardons, revocations, resignations, proclamations, confirmations of senate, reports from soldiers' homes, and, in addition and of more value, correspondence running back many years, yet lacking the care, analysis, and classification which will be necessary to make them of immediate value to one engaged in research. It is to be hoped that sufficient appropriations will be made in the near future for the better care and order which are needed.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

Under the constitution of 1802 the secretary was appointed by the general assembly, and his duties consisted, in the language of the old statute, mainly in keeping "a register of all official acts and proceedings of the governor." In 1851 the office was made elective, since which time the secretary has been the custodian of the acts of the general assembly and the creator of all incorporations. Recent legislation, requiring the secretary to collect and pay into the State treasury taxes upon domestic and foreign corporations, has greatly increased the responsibility of the office.

The reports prior to 1836 are to be found in the senate and house journals. So far as is known there are no omissions in the list of annual reports.

The usual care is evident in the rooms of the office, and on the same floor, in the provision of steel file cases for the preservation of documents. There is, however, lack of due order in the disposition of the manuscript journals of the general assembly, which are piled up in one of the rooms set apart for the use of the stationery department, and evidently need rearranging and better care.

In the main rooms are to be found the following, possibly a too detailed account, in which the drudgery of classification scarcely pays for itself in the values gained for research:

Record of justices; record of fees, 5 volumes; record of notaries, 6 volumes; accounts; official bonds; executive appointments (1890); house bills; annual reports of taxes of corporations (in metal files); index to domestic incorporations, 9 volumes; index to foreign incorporations, 2 volumes; index to annual reports of incorporations; foreign incorporations (originals); elementary incorporations; domestic incorporations; municipal incorporations.

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Record of general incorporations, beginning 1852, 114 volumes. Before 1852 these show in the acts.

Constitution of Ohio, 1851, and proposed one of 1873. Both of these are in a tin box in an old safe.

Revised acts of 1850, 4 volumes.

Incorporated villages.

Equipment contracts, 1 volume.

Miscellaneous, 1864, 1 volume.

Miscellaneous papers, 1848–1851.

Certificates of savings societies.

Branch banks.

Letters, 1867–1869.

Bonds of boards of control.

Ohio National Guard. Disbandments of companies in small towns, done up in small pasteboard packages.

Honorable and dishonorable discharges of men in Ohio National Guard.

Rosters of regiments in Ohio National Guard.

Index to boxes, 1, 2, 3, and 4, of the war of 1812.

Letter book (copy) of letters of adjutant-general in 1863.

Copies of letters of Adjutant-General Amos, 1874–1876.

Papers of court-martial case of Lieut. Col. Whitney, in package.

Court-martial papers of Capts. A. F. and W. S. Lawrence.

Miscellaneous letters in file boxes.

Telegrams of 1890, bound.

Copies of adjutant-generals' letters, 15 volumes.

Roster of old soldiers of war of rebellion, bound.

Constitution of 1802.

An original German translation of the constitution of 1852.

Original journals of house and senate.

Several packages of letters, vouchers, county returns, etc.

Senate journals of 1892–93 and the senate and house letters.

In the vault are official letters of this office for the past ten years.

Copy books of letters, vouchers, etc.

OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF STATE.

The duties of the auditor are those of the chief accounting officer of the State. He is the custodian of all field notes, maps, records, documents, papers, and implements of public lands, and is required by law to keep a record of deeds executed by the governor. The reports made annually prior to 1836 are to be found in the senate and house journals.

In the rooms of the auditor and his assistants are to be found a great mass of material accumulated since the organization, and having to do with a variety of details illustrating phases of the changing life of the State. The usual records by which the office keeps in touch with the current life of the State do not possess as much interest for the historian as in the case of the older and original papers through which one may trace his way back to the founding of the State.

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I. *Surveys.*

1. "Virginia Military District." Six volumes, numbered A, B, C, D, E, F. These contain description of surveys, and are in good condition.

2. "Entries." These compose an index to the six volumes. All are bound in leather, fairly well preserved. In one of these is found the following, Volume A, page 4:

"Surveyed for George Washington 1000 acres of land part of a military warrant, 135, on the Ohio river, on the north-west side, beginning at a sugar tree marked H, and then hoopwards at the mouth of Muddy Creek, running N. 53, E, 293 poles, crossing the creek at 60 and 100 poles to six sugar trees on a small branch, thence S. 37 W. 600 poles to a beech and two buckeyes, thence S. 53, W. 293 poles to a beech and two sugar trees on the bank of the river, thence down the river N. 25 W. 248 poles, N. 45 W. 364 poles to the beginning."

JOHN O'BANNON, *D. S.*
January 5, 1788.
March 27, 1788.

SYLVESTER MOUBONEY
JONAH SCOTT. } C. C.
JAMES BLAIR,

3. Five volumes, record books for the surveyor-general's office, giving township plats, showing Old Seven Ranges; the twenty-two ranges east of the Scioto (3 volumes); the Miami River surveys (7 volumes), and the eighteen ranges north and south (13 volumes).

4. There are no plats or field notes of Western Reserve in the State auditor's office.

5. There are no plats or field notes of Symmes's purchase in the State auditor's office.

II. *Certificates of sales of school lands.*

1. Final certificates of the sale of section 16 (school lands), from 1829 to present time. These are kept in cardboard boxes.

2. Certificates of sale of Congressional grant of school lands for Western Reserve. These grants were located in the northwest section of the State and outside the limits of the reserve. (In boxes.)

3. Four bound volumes of sales of school lands in Virginia military district. These grants were located in the northeast central part of the State.

III. *Certificates of sale of canal lands.*

1. Certificates of sale of canal lands from 1828 to present time. (In boxes). Congress granted to the State for canal sales, in some cases alternate sections, in others specified tracts.

2. A large bound plat book 16 inches square, 231 pages, showing the location of grants for canal purposes.

3. Wabash and Erie Canal land deeds are in 7 bound volumes.

4. Ten volumes, "Ohio Canal Lands."

IV. *Miscellaneous.*

1. Maumee and Western Road grants. Certificates of sales from the opening of the road. The series of contracts date from June 8, 1825. These are in bundles, unbound.

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2. Tract books of the eighteen ranges, north and south, original sales. These are in 3 bound volumes.

3. Tract book showing sales of eight ranges east of the first meridian, i. e., line between Ohio and Indiana. These are in 2 volumes.

4. Chillicothe district. Sales of lands. Two volumes.

5. Tract book, Defiance district. Shows lands taken upon Federal warrant by soldiers of war of 1812.

6. Copies of original deeds in 5 bound volumes. They run only from 1880; the deeds previous to that time are lost.

7. One bound volume of plats of "Ohio Company's Purchase."

8. One bound volume, "Entries," of United States military and refugee lands.

9. One volume of Virginia military warrants.

10. Two bound volumes, records of State board of equalization.

11. "Leger," a lease of lands, marked "A," dated 1811–1878. One volume.

12. Record of the new entries of United States and State lands sent out to county officers for taxation. Eleven large volumes.

13. Three volumes, records of deeds of section 29, land set apart by act of Congress, in Symmes's purchase and Ohio Company purchase, for Gospel support. These are called "Ministerial lands."

14. Sixteen volumes of records and deeds of section 16 (school lands), Volume 1 begins with 1837. There are no records in auditor's office prior to 1837.

LAND DEPARTMENT—EARLY SURVEYORS.

I. *Original pocket notes. Packages bound in paper.*

1. Quarterly townships of United States military survey.

2. Survey of ranges 9, 10, and 11, west of Muskingum River.

3. Scofield's field notes, 1803. United States military survey.

4. Buckingham's and Cutler's. United States military survey, 1803.

5. Ludlow and Menck. United States military survey.

6. A. Martin. United States military survey, 1797.

7. J. G. Jackson. United States military survey, 1797–98.

8. John Mathew. United States military tract, 1797.

9. Jesse Spenser. United States military survey, 1803.

10. Thomas Evans and William Cutbush. Field notes United States township.

11. Copy of Jesse Spenser's field notes of 1803.

12. William Harris. Quarterly township, United States military survey.

13. Alex. Holmes, sr. Quarterly township, United States military survey.

14. John Mathew's field notes, 1809. United States military survey.

15. Silas Bent and B. F. Stone, 1803. United States military survey.

16. Joseph Woods. United States military survey, 1803.

17. Schedule of latitudes of the fiftieth reservation, second township. United States military survey, 1803.

18. Worthington and Lewis. United States military survey, 1803.

19. Descriptive notes of lands west of the Muskingum River and north of the United States military survey.

20. Notes of ranges 18, 19, 20, and 21. North of United States military survey and west of the Muskingum River, 1806–7.

21. Ludlow and Clay. North of United States military survey, 1807.

22. Ranges 12, 13, and 14. North of United States military survey, 1807.

23. Ranges 15, 16, and 17 north of United States military survey and west of Muskingum River, 1807.

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24. Notes of the Old Seven Ranges, 1801.
25. Biggs. Old Seven Ranges, 1801.
26. Benjamin Houghes (copy). Subranges 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in Old Seven Ranges, 1805.
27. Ranges 8 to 15 of United States military survey, 1801.
28. Notes of survey between the Miami Rivers.
29. Islands G. Surveyed by Warry.
30. Alex. Holmes, 1803.
31. Ranges 1 to 7 in the Old Seven Ranges, 1805.
32. Benjamin Franklin Stone. Ranges 9 to 17 south of United States military survey, 1801.
33. Papers of the Ohio Company's purchase of ungranted lands and survey of the same.
34. Blocks of ranges 8 and 9 south of United States military survey, by W. R. Putnams, 1805.
35. Benjamin Tupper's notes. Ranges 1 to 4, inclusive, in the Old Seven Ranges. No date.
36. Joseph Woods. "Sub. two mile blocks," in ranges 4, 5, 6, and 7 in the Old Seven Ranges, 1805.
37. E. and M. Buckingham. Survey of Old Seven Ranges and west to the Scioto River, 1798–99.
38. Benjamin Hughs. "Sub. two mile block," in ranges 1 to 5, inclusive, in Old Seven Ranges, 1805.
39. Biggs. In Old Seven Ranges, 1801.
40. Stone and Donas. "Sub. two mile block," in ranges 10, 11, and 12 east of Scioto River, 1805.
41. J. Fletcher. Ranges 16 and 17 east of Scioto River, 1805.
42. J. Dum. "Sub. two mile block," ranges 19 to 22 east of Scioto River, 1805.
43. E. J. Scofield. East of Scioto River, 1801–2.
44. Towns 5 and 6, ranges 6 and 7.
45. Carpenter. Ranges 8, 9, and 10 east of Muskingum River and north of Old Seven Ranges, 1805–6.
46. Barber. Ranges 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Old Seven Ranges, 1805.
47. Whipple. Ranges 12 to 15, 1805–6.
48. Green, in Old Seven Ranges, 1806.
49. Marcan. East of Scioto River, 1801.
50. Between the Miami Rivers.
51. L. Whipple. Ranges 12, 13, 14, and 15 east to Scioto River, 1805–6, in Old Seven Ranges.
52. Copy of Jesse Spencer's. Ranges 20, 21, and 22 east of Scioto River, 1805–6.
53. Evans. Ranges 17, 18, and 19, 1805, 1806, and 1807.
54. Scofield. Refuge tract, east of Scioto River, 1801 and 1806.
55. Spencer. Chillicothe district, 1801–2.
56. Cooper. 1798 and 1800 to 1805.
57. J. and S. Ludlow. East of first meridian, 1798, 1799, and 1801.
58. Field notes between Miami Rivers.
59. J. and S. Ludlow. East of first meridian.
60. Subdivisions of townships 1 to 7, range 3 east.
61. Notes east of first meridian.
62. Township lines between new and old State lines.
63. Six packages, subdivisions 1 to 8.
64. Fourteen packages of ranges 1 to 16 of towns, townships, etc.

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65. Township lines of William Brown notes
66. 1 east, 1 and 2 south and C.
67. Townships 10 west.
68. Town lines south of base, 1840.
69. William Brown. Notes of Indian improvements in Ohio.
70. Plats and papers regarding Indian reserves.
71. Between north and west boundary of Ohio.
72. Salt reserve.
73. One volume, list of vacant lands in United States military survey in Chillicothe district.
74. One volume, plan of 100 acre lots of United States military survey.
75. Resurvey of the north boundary of Ohio, by Porter and Mullet, 1837.
76. Instructions to deputy surveyors.
77. State lines.
78. T's. G's, R's, 1 to 10 east. Between old and new State lines.
79. William Brown (copy). Notes on Wyandot Reserve.
80. Reserve and town of lower Sandusky.
81. Plats and field notes of Indian Reserve.
82. Papers concerning United States military survey.
83. Notes of three tracts in Tuscarawas County.
84. Canceled surveys on Maumee River.
85. Correspondence with the Treasury Department.
86. Subdivisions of ranges 16 and 17 south of base line.
87. Boundary lines of Connecticut Reserve lines.
88. Maumee Reserve, 12 miles square.
89. Western Reserve and Maumee Road.
90. Descriptive notes between new and old State lines.
91. John Fulton. Three books, A, B, and C. Descriptive notes, 1819.
92. John Callet. Notes.
93. Michigan boundary.
94. Notes sent from Knox County, December, 1881. Town and three ranges from Coshocton County, 1818.
95. Several separate papers of surveys, unmarked.

II. *Records of field notes of surveys.*

1. United States military survey, eight volumes, 1806.
2. East of first meridian, seven volumes, 1799.
3. East of Scioto River, twenty-two ranges, thirty volumes, 1798.
4. One volume of "Entries," 100 acre lots, United States military survey.
5. One volume of plat book, 1808. Survey of quarter townships, United States military survey.
6. Field notes.
7. Applications for new deeds from the beginning, November 1, 1884, to 1896. In eighteen boxes.
8. One volume of records of appraisements and sales. Bound volumes.
9. Endless small packages. Notebooks of field notes on the final surveyings. Some in boxes, others in bound and unbound condition.
10. Virginia military lands. (1) Applications for deeds made in 1890. Seven boxes.
11. Board of public works. Three boxes.
12. (1) Deeds of canal lands. One box. (2) applications for new deeds. 1897. Two boxes.

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13. Section 16, adjustments for Madison and Richland counties. One box.
14. Papers in box in which application was made to secure correction in deeds. One box.
15. Miscellaneous. One box.

III. *Deeds, records, etc.*

1. Land records of Salt River Reservation. Three volumes. Bound.
2. Western Reserve, Ohio Company. Bound.
3. Deeds to the State University lands. Bound.
4. Records of deeds. Two volumes. Bound.
5. Records of deeds: (1) Buckeye Place addition, Columbus; (2) auditor of State; (3) Paulding County canal lands. Bound.
6. Ohio State University lands. Three volumes. Bound.
7. Ohio lands. Two volumes of public works and reservoir lands. Bound.
8. Index. Bound.
9. New deeds. One volume. Bound.
10. Aplication for new deeds, November 1, 1884. Fourteen boxes.
11. Certificate of purchase of canal lands, 1895–96. Box.
12. Seneca County. Applications. Box.
13. Sections 16 and 29 of final certificate. Box.
14. A. C. Caine. Box.
15. Certificate of purchase from canal company, 1896–1899. Box. Canal commission, 1899 to present time.
16. Certificate of purchase of Ohio University lands. Three boxes.
17. Quarterly reports of Ohio canal lands. Box.
18. Plat of field notes. State roads, 1820–1830. Four boxes.
19. Survey plats. One box.
20. Plats of State roads. One box.
21. Miscellaneous letters to section 16.
22. Letters from A. C. Caine. In box.
23. Boxes of: (1) Tax sale and deeds made; (2) towns and townships (when organized); (3) deeds canceled (various years); (4) salt lands of Jackson, Delaware, and Muskingum counties, 1828 to 1863 and other years, in six boxes; (5) Miami Canal lands; (6) Virginia military survey; (7) canal land section (Wabash and Erie); (8) Columbus and Sandusky turnpike; (9) three books of facts concerning original boundary lines between Pennsylvania and Ohio; (10) engrossed lists, 1 and 2 of Wabash and Erie Canal lands. In box.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE—MISCELLANEOUS.

Land receipts of different canals. Eighteen boxes.
Several boxes of canal certificates.
School lands, etc. Eighty-three boxes.
Ohio land records. Twenty volumes.
Record of forfeited lands, 1842–1871. Nine volumes.
Receipts and disbursements of Ohio treasury, 1856–1860. Twenty-six volumes.
Redeemed lands, 1841–1878. Fourteen packages.
Several packages of delinquent tax lists, etc.
Ledgers, school lands, etc.
Reports on examinations of State and national banks, etc.
Several boxes of county reports.
Taxable lands in Ohio.
Records of different land districts.
Records of pension lists, liquor taxes, etc.

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In 1870 Mr. L. L. Rice completed an examination of certain reserves and fragmentary surveys. His letter is included, as follows:

COLUMBUS, OHIO, *June 25, 1870.*

Hon. ISAAC R. SHERWOOD, *Secretary of State.*

I have completed the work which you have assigned me, made under the resolution of May 6, 1869, directing a record to be made of certain reserves and other fragmentary surveys not before recorded; and also an index or directory of the different classes of records of surveys, with reference to volumes, etc., in which they are recorded, etc.

I have recorded, and caused to be bound in a volume uniform with the records of a like character, the surveys of thirty-six different reserves, not hitherto recorded. The plats of most of them (all that are found) are also bound in a volume, duly labeled for future reference.

The original field books have been classified, filed, and placed in separate cases, duly marked and numbered; also the plats and descriptions, which are not matters of record, but are important for ultimate reference in cases of dispute or litigation.

The directory, contemplated by the resolution, has also been prepared, pencilled, and bound, making a reference to the record, and original notes, practicable and convenient, even to a novice in that department of the duties of office of secretary of state.

There are different tracts, or classes of surveys, embraced in the directory referred to; and several of these had two, and some three, distinct surveys, by different persons, at different periods. For example, the tract known as "Old Seven Ranges," being the seven ranges of townships on the east border of the State, divided into townships, and boundaries thereof run, in 1786, by surveyors from the east, employed by the several States of Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, and Maryland. Later, in 1801 and 1802, the townships were divided into "two-mile blocks" by deputy surveyors under the authority of Congress. Still later, in 1805 and 1806, the "two-mile blocks" were subdivided into sections and quarter sections by deputy surveyors, also employed by authority of Congress. All these different surveys are specifically described in the directory to which I have referred. A description is also given of the several unsurveyed tracts in the State—that is, tracts not surveyed under the authority or by order of Congress, and therefore not matters of record in the secretary of state's office, as the "Connecticut Western Reserve," the "Ohio Company's Purchase," the "Virginia Military Lands," etc.

In a former communication, I referred to the inadequate record of the "Surveys into 100-acre lots of reserved quarter townships in the United States military tract," the two volumes in which they were recorded having been condemned by the surveyor-general and thrown aside as worthless. I have also discovered that the second survey, or "division into two-mile blocks," of the Old Seven Ranges is not recorded. As the plats of the tract are based on the second surveys, and they contain the only descriptions of all the exterior and parts of the interior and quarter section corners, they seem to me even more important than the first and third surveys, which are duly recorded. Also, the field notes of the division into 100-acre lots of the refugee tract, lying south of the United States military district, are unrecorded, although the plats thereof are duly recorded and preserved. All the other surveys of the State are duly recorded, and are described in the directory to which I have referred.

Trusting that my execution of your trust fully meets the requirements of the resolution of 1869, I am, your obedient servant,

L. L. RICE.

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THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

As the name implies, the department of the adjutant-general is the headquarters of the National Guard of the State. Under the law the adjutant-general is appointed by the governor for a term of two years, and ranks as brigadier-general. He is superintendent of the State capitol building and grounds. The office was instituted at the organization of the State in 1803.

The files and current records are kept in good condition, and include the following, some of them in the rooms on the main floor and some in the vaults pertaining to the office:

Military elections of Ohio National Guard officers, 200 packages.
Quartermaster's reports of Spanish-American war. Bound.
Ohio National Guard records, complete, from 1863. Bound.
Pay rolls by State to State troops. Boxes.
Muster rolls. In and out of boxes.
Clothing account, 1880. Bound.
Letters. Bound.
Miscellaneous boxes. Bound.
Ohio war records, 1861–1865. Bound.
Ohio visitors' register. Bound.
State military records—infantry, cavalry, artillery. Bound.
Registers, journals, and files. Bound.
Ordinance letters, 1861. Bound.
Ohio National Guard pay rolls. Bound.
Record of State claims. Bound.
Description book. Bound.
Ledgers. Bound.
Miscellaneous boxes.
Field, staff, and hospital. Boxes.
Company rolls. Boxes.
Transportation pay. Boxes.
Quarterly reports. Boxes.
Camp-armory rent. Boxes.
Muster rolls, etc. Boxes.
Miscellaneous material concerning Ohio National Guard. In file boxes: Registers, reports, inspection reports, discharges, publishing, pay rolls, etc., sutlers (bound), sutlers (in file boxes), adjutant-general's reports (in tied-up papers).
Military correspondence (copies) of late years to adjutant-general.
More boxes of Ohio National Guard material, of discharges, railroad bills, official correspondence, etc.
The muster-out rolls, records of commissions, original letters, telegrams, etc., of the civil war.
Ohio National Guard muster rolls, etc. Fifty boxes.
Muster-out rolls, letters, and reports in Spanish-American war.
Records of war of 1812. Forty boxes.
Records of Mexican war.
Veteran medals that were never issued because of failure to find owners.
Discharges and records of Ohio men in Navy, war of 1812.

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TREASURER OF THE STATE.

The term of office of the State treasurer, until the adoption of the new constitution in 1851, was three years, afterwards two years. The papers of the office are those usually found in the rooms devoted to the financial affairs of the State.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

An act of 1846 provided for fifty-three members. An act of 1847 reduced the number to ten. Annual bulletins are published and widely distributed. Some years ago a fire destroyed all original manuscript records.

STATE BOARD OF ARBITRATION.

This board was organized May 29, 1893, and is composed of three members, appointed by the governor. Their duties are to settle controversies, actual or threatened, between employers and employees in the State. It is a body of advice as much as of publication of conclusions, the recommendations not being compulsory and the publication of its conclusions not required, save at the request of a party to a dispute unable to bring the other party to terms.

BOARD OF STATE CHARITIES.

This board, established in 1867, abolished in 1872, again organized in 1876, is composed of six members, appointed by the governor. Its duties are to supervise the whole system of public charities and houses of correction. The term of office is three years. The board submits an annual report to the legislature and makes recommendations touching the management of State institutions coming under its care.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

This board was organized in 1886, and has for its object the building up of a complete health organization for the State. It is in close touch with all local boards in the State and makes regular reports for the benefit of public and private health. The working force of the board, aside from its members, are a secretary, a chief clerk, two stenographers, an engineer, a chemist, and a bacteriologist. It publishes a monthly journal. The attendance upon its annual meetings has in the last few years risen to the hundreds.

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS.

This board was established in 1892, and has for its duties the prevention, as far as it may have power, of illegal practice and to secure for the public good the competent dentists who are qualified by their licenses to practice in the State.

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BOARD OF MEDICAL REGISTRATION AND EXAMINATION.

This board was established in 1896, and is composed of seven members, and, like the board just named, it endeavors to regulate the practice of medicine and to protect the people of the State against illegal practioners. All applicants for registration are now required to appear before the board for examination. Records of work are duly kept.

STATE BOARD OF PARDONS.

This board was established in 1888 for the purpose of relieving the governor of the task of examining manifold papers and documents, and, except in specific cases mentioned in the statutes, it must consider cases before the action of the governor. Annual reports are made and printed.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

Organized in 1877, this board collects, systematizes, and publishes all statistics relating to various branches of labor in the State.

STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

The public works of the State at present comprise 581.82 miles of navigable canals, about 30,000 acres of reservoir area, and the rivers of the State. In the year 1827 the State opened for use a system of canals connecting Lake Erie with the Ohio River by two systems, east and west. In 1894 the general assembly ordered the abandonment of that part of the eastern system known as the Hocking Canal, 56 miles, and in 1896, 19 miles of the "Walhonding" Canal. Various leases have been made, but in 1878 the State board took possession of the public works of Ohio. The board had been established in 1836. By act of April 28, 1906, it was authorized to take over the work of the canal commission, which had been organized in 1888. The work of the old canal commission is limited. Its duties are mainly to recover lands unlawfully occupied by individuals and corporations. Nothing of the management of canals goes through the hands of this subdivision of the board of public works. When it began work it had nothing of the original surveys, which had been lost along with the books showing awards of damages for lands taken for canal purposes. Fortunately a half dozen were found in a consignment of old paper shipped to a paper mill, and then restored to the State, and are now on the shelves of the office. Twenty-three large volumes of maps have been completed and bound in convenient form, and others are in process of completion.

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COMMISSIONER OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

The office is a statutory, not a constitutional office, being established by act of March 12, 1836, at which time the present system of State schools was started. In 1840 the office of State superintendent was abolished, and the duties of the department were placed in the hands of the secretary of state, this continuing until 1853, when the present office was again created. The archives of the office are limited, as practically all the items of official control are given to the public in the annual reports.

COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS AND TELEGRAPHS.

This office was created by act of legislature April 5, 1867, and has general authority over roads and lines operating within the limits of the State of Ohio. All its transactions appear in the form of printed reports.

DAIRY AND FOOD COMMISSIONER.

By act of legislature, 1886, this office was erected, the first commissioner being appointed until 1891, when he was elected by popular vote. The term is two years. The reports are printed regularly.

EXAMINER OF STEAM ENGINEERS.

The law creating this department was passed March 1, 1900, and provides for the better protection of life and property against injury resulting from handling of boilers and engines by incompetent engineers. The examiner had power to give and to revoke license.

THE OHIO GAME AND FISH COMMISSION.

This bureau was created in 1886, and is composed of five members appointed by the governor.

THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.

This official was authorized by act of April 16, 1900, and has the duty of investigating all fires in the State.

THE INSPECTOR OF BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

This bureau was authorized by act of legislature May 1, 1891, and has the duty of supervising associations under the above title. This office is under the control of the superintendent of insurance, who, by his deputies, secures the ends of the law.

THE INSPECTOR OF MINES.

This bureau of inspection was created in 1871, and now numbers seven members.

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INSPECTOR OF OILS.

This bureau was created in 1878, and in 1892 the duties were divided between two.

INSPECTOR OF WORKSHOPS AND FACTORIES.

In 1885 the legislature created this office, with power to visit shops and factories, to make all necessary inspections in all buildings of public character, and to secure, as far as possible, a betterment of all conditions of labor.

SUPERVISOR OF PUBLIC PRINTING.

This officer is appointed by the governor for a term of two years. In the early history of the State he was elected by the general assembly. In 1860 the present office was created by act of the legislature, the appointing power being in the hands of the commissioners of printing. In 1864 the governor was invested with power to appoint. Records are kept and annual reports are made to the governor.

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

In 1825 the legislature abolished the early method of separating lands into different classes for taxation and introduced the present method. Land appraisers assess the tax value upon the land in their wards and townships. They make report to county boards of equalization. This body has power to raise or lower the values. The finding of the county board goes to the State board, which is elected by the people of the several senatorial districts of the State. The board equalizes valuations between counties and cities, but has no jurisdiction over individual valuations. Records are kept and findings returned according to law.

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT.

This is the most recent of the various departments, and was created April 18, 1904. It issues bulletins and makes annual reports as prescribed by law.

BOARD OF LIBRARY COMMISSIONERS.

The State library was established in 1817 by Governor Thomas Worthington. In 1844 the library was placed in commission. In April, 1896, a change was made by which a board was to be appointed by the governor, and this body elects the librarian.

Beginning with the year 1839 reports were printed, but not with regularity until the year 1845, from which time it has been a matter

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of annual printing. It occupies quarters in the second floor of the capitol. It is open to the public, both for reading in the rooms and for taking volumes home.

Of late years there has been an increasing interest in the purchase of rare books having to do with the history of the State of Ohio, and the collecting of manuscripts, whether through gift or purchase, bearing upon the early years of the State.

Perhaps the most valuable of such collections are the papers of Governor Arthur St. Clair. At the session of the legislature of 1870 $2,000 was appropriated for the purchase of his letters and proclamations covering a space of years exceeding the limit of his service as governor, from 1778 to 1802. These are boxed, classified in envelopes, and in some cases bound in large substantial leather volumes. The boxes number fifteen. The volumes are as given below. The whole collection is in the private room of the librarian, yet not as thoroughly protected from serious fire as might be desirable. In all the papers number over 1,000 letters and other material.

1. One folio volume, 4 inches thick, 620 pages. Bears the title, "St. Clair Papers, 1789–1795."

These papers form the "Journal of the Proceedings of his Excellency, Arthur St. Clair, Governor and Commander-in-chief of the Territory of the United States, Northwest of the River Ohio."

The records in this volume are a copy of the official records, preserved in the Department of State at Washington, D. C., and duly attested by the signature of Hamilton Fish, Secretary of State, June 10, 1873. The volume ends with the statement of the copyist, "No records of the government of the territory northwest of the Ohio are found in the Department of State of the United States of a date subsequent to June, 1795."

The contents of this volume have been freely drawn upon by William Henry Smith, formerly secretary of state of Ohio, and appear in his "Life and Public Services of Arthur St. Clair." Two volumes, with date 1882.

The folio volume bears the statement on page 620: "True copy of the records, by Winthrop Sargent, secretary. To the President of the United States."

2. Another set of four volumes folio, bound in red leather, about 300 pages each, in which are pasted original autograph material, correspondence, and official documents. Titles, "St. Clair's Papers." Volume I includes dates 1772–1781. Volume II includes dates 1781–1785. Volume III includes dates 1773–1779. Volume IV includes dates 1780–1790.

3. In his preface to "The Life and Public Services of Arthur St. Clair," above referred to, W. H. Smith gives an account of the purchase of the originals in possession of the administrator, Judge R. St. Clair Graham, by the State of Ohio. In 1881 the general assembly directed the publication of the papers, which had been carefully arranged by Miss Mary C. Harbaugh, assistant librarian. The board of library commissioners placed the papers in the hands of Mr. Smith for publication. He found them "badly defaced and fragmentary, but that the letters in the handwriting of St. Clair were original drafts which frequently differed from the perfected letters as transmitted to his correspondents."

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In his collection of the St. Clair papers, Mr. Smith has printed from these four volumes nearly all the material, with now and then omissions, which are named as below:

Thomas Smith, June 10, 1772, Yorktown.

James ————, November 29, 1772.

W. Smith, no date, must have been 1772.

R. Peters, September 28, 1776.

Pay rolls.

Copy of letter of St. Clair to Colonel Morgan, 1776.

Gen. William Thompson to St. Clair, April 12, 1777.

Gen. Anthony Wayne, April 25, 1777.

Saint McKenzie, July 23, 1777.

St. Clair to John Hancock, September 1, 1777. The following are the contents of this letter:

"SIR: I have been informed that Monsieur De Rock Fermoy has written to Congress denying his having advised and given his assent to the evacuation of Ticonderoga. If the case is so, he has acted a very unworthy part, degrading the character of an officer and an honest man. I beg the favor that I may be furnished with a copy of his letter that I may be able to inform Congress how far it agrees with his statement delivered in council, from which, if he has departed, his rank ought not to protect him from the punishment due to such duplicity.

"I have the honor, etc.,

"ARTHUR ST. CLAIR.

"SEPTEMBER 1, 1777.

"The Hon. JOHN HANCOCK."

Maj. P. Scull to St. Clair, January 3, 1778.

Trevor Newland to St. Clair (duplicate), July 26, 1778.

Joseph Reed, January 9, 1779.

Memorial to board of war by St. Clair, July 19, 1779.

General Reading, January 23, 1779.

Judge Thomas Smith, March 27, 1779. (W. H. Smith quotes a few sentences from this.)

This is one-half of volume 1 of about 75 letters. I judge that the same proportion holds for the rest of the volumes. Now and then one is missing.

Other manuscript collections follow according to numbers below.

II. *Papers of Governor R. J. Meigs.*

These were deposited in the State library from the governor's office, and include letters from nearly two hundred persons in number, each from one to a dozen.

III. *Papers of Governor Thomas Worthington.*

This is a large collection and includes nearly two hundred names, and in some cases the number of letters amounts to twenty-nine, as in the case of Gen. Lewis Cass, and in the case of ex-Governor Tiffin to ninety-eight.

IV. *Papers of Governor Ethan Allen Brown.*

The names in this collection amount to about one hundred and fifty and the letters under each name from one to fifteen, as in the case of Judge J. McLean. Besides this is a list of letters from the governor to others, in number about forty.

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V. *Miscellaneous.*

This list includes affidavits, addresses, correspondence, resolutions touching settlers from Connecticut, material relating to the war of 1812 (Hull's copy of articles of capitulation at Detroit), reports, petitions from militia and frontiersmen, proclamations, etc.

VI. *Presentations.*

From different persons of letters from distinguished characters, in amount numbering about twenty-five.

VII. *Governor Samuel Huntingdon.*

In addition to the papers listed in the pamphlets published by the State librarian there have been lately filed:

1. Papers signed by Governor Samuel Huntingdon. Two boxes.
2. Miscellaneous papers. One box.
3. Letters addressed to Huntingdon. Two boxes.

Huntingdon was "district paymaster" of the Army in the war of 1812, and most of these papers have some reference to operations in Ohio.

There have been lately received the papers of Micajah Williams, one of the first board of canal commissioners of Ohio. Many of the letters relate to the canals.

The reproduction of the proclamation of Governor St. Clair possesses enough interest to justify insertion, if only for sake of the seal of the Territory, over which there has been much discussion.

SEAL OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY.

The accompanying reproduction of a proclamation of Governor St. Clair has lately been secured by the State library. Of especial interest is the seal. Its origin is obscure, if not entirely unknown. It is first mentioned in St. Clair's proclamation of July 26, 1788. Authorities at Washington aided Governor English, of Indiana, and President Harrison in the examination of old impressions of the seal and made a sketch which is considered "an exact reproduction in every respect of the original." The photograph from which this print is made failed to bring out some of the finer details of the seal, but the size and the main features are still distinguishable in the old document. The symbolism is capital; the coiled snake and the boats, the wild forest tree cut up, and the apple tree, the inscription, "*Meliorem lapsa locavit*," "he has planted a better than the fallen," are highly expressive of the entering in of a finer civilization.

HISTORICAL SOCIETIES.

In his report to the American Historical Association, 1905, Dr. Reuben G. Thwaites gave a list of the publications of the various historical societies of the old Northwest. Under the head of Ohio he named the following: The Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio, organized in 1831, the oldest in the five States comprising the old Northwest; the Ohio Archæological and Historical Society, organized in 1885, though sprung from one of earlier date, 1875; the Old Northwest Genealogical Society, organized 1897; the Ohio Church History Society, Oberlin, 1889; the Daughters of the American Revolution; the Sons of the American Revolution; the Society of

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Colonial Wars; the Western Reserve Historical Society, 1867; the Firelands Historical Society, 1857; the Clark County Historical Society.

Of the first, important manuscript collections exist as follows:

Oran Follett Papers, containing about two hundred letters written by Follett and responses thereto. Sketch of Follett's life; Follett's letters; political letters and circulars to committees; letters addressed to Follett; Vance controversy, 1843–1846; battle of New Orleans, by a Frenchman; battle of New Orleans, anonymous; New York politics of 1824; political songs, 1822, 1827, 1832; Follett's certificate of election, and kindred papers; national loan of 1861; United States Treasury, 1861.

Aaron Torrence Papers; fifty-seven boxes and fifteen bound volumes of miscellaneous but highly important material. The Torrence family were related to the Harrisons, Whitemans, Irvins, and others prominent in the development of Cincinnati. Among those whose papers are included in the collection are President Harrison, Smith, and Findlay (army sutlers), Anthony Wayne, General Findlay, and others concerned in frontier development at the close of the eighteenth and the beginning of the nineteenth centuries. The extent and variety of the material—social, political, military, mercantile—strongly remind one of the famous Thomason tracts in the British Museum. Twenty-nine boxes are devoted to miscellaneous letters. There is a box of miscellaneous manuscripts, numerous bills and receipts, printed circulars and handbills, legal documents, land contracts and entries, land certificates of the John Cleves Symmes tract (1804), account book of receiver's office at Cincinnati, army orders (1794–1820), militia orders, vouchers, returns, etc., Hamilton County (Ohio) plats, miscellaneous account books, daybooks, ledgers, etc.

The Robert Clarke Papers, containing documents bearing date from 1777 to 1809; history of Illinois Territory; evidence in Illinois Territory and war of 1812–1815; documents relating to prices, 1779–1819; Filson papers; John Cleves Symmes and family, letters and documents; Short family; Ludlow family; miscellaneous legal documents; miscellaneous documents, mainly historical; miscellaneous letters; Cincinnati maps, early history, etc.; miscellaneous newspaper clippings; maps, certificates, and commissions; Revolution, facsimiles and documents; newspapers; Kentucky broadsides; Lyman C. Draper's letters to R. B. McAfee; S. P. Hildreth's letters to R. Buchanan; Isaac Lea's letters to R. Buchanan; John Jay Smith's letters to same; "Act," 1791; autographs, and Cist's correspondence about them.

John Sites Gano Papers; papers relating to the army in the Revolution and war of 1812–1815; maps of Detroit, 1792–1815; maps of south shore of Lake Erie, 1806–1817; Burr, Smith, and others; Deerfield, Ohio; clerkship of court; conveyances, bills, deeds; miscellaneous letters.

William Cranch Papers, containing letters from Abigail Adams, John Adams, Thomas B. Adams, Charles H. Appleton, Edward Pease Cranch, Richard Cranch (sr.), Richard Cranch (jr.), William Cranch to T. B. Adams, William Cranch to William P. Ferrand, Nat. Nutting, Peter V. Daniel, G. Duval, John C. Fitzpatrick, James Greenleaf, John Hopkins, Hugh Nelson, Josiah F. Folk, Samuel Putnam, Josiah Quincy, J. J. Ricketts, James Smith, W. Thornton, Bushrod Washington, and Noah Webster (jr.); letter book of William Cranch. Other documents, viz, importation of slaves, newspaper clippings, legal documents, notices, and miscellanies.

Gallipolis (Ohio); general sketches of Gallipolis history; prospectus, maps, and "Avis"; agreements, transfers, etc.; French grant; French settlers; notices, deeds, contracts, and miscellaneous notes; numerous pamphlets.

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Timothy Walker Papers; collection of letters from eminent men and women, from 1825 to 1855; different miscellaneous papers.

Lawler Family Papers, public documents (wills, deeds, etc.); journal of Davis B. Lawler; Bryant letters; letters, etc.

Susan Walker Papers, manuscripts of South Carolina, 1862; Washington, 1865–1868; miscellaneous papers.

Chalfant Papers, journal; commission as chaplain; documents of Longview Asylum; newspaper clippings; deeds.

Charles Scott Todd Papers, correspondence, seventy-three letters addressed to Charles Scott Todd, and nine letters addressed to his father, Thomas Todd; miscellaneous letters.

Pitcairn Letters, 1795–1821; collection of letters from John Quincy Adams, Thomas B. Adams, Rufus King, Alexander Lameth, John Jay, R. R. Livingston, Charles C. Pinckney, and others; other documents.

William Stanley Hatch Papers, map of vicinity of Fort Jefferson, near Ohio River; large collection of early deeds in Ohio; miscellaneous maps; letters to William Stanley Hatch; memoirs of the same; diary of a convert under Lorenzo Dow; several other diaries; orderly book of Captain Slough's company, Legion V, March 1, 1793.

The following items are also in the library of the Historical and Philosophical Society of Ohio, Van Wormer Library Building, Cincinnati, Ohio:

Volume 1, "Journal of the House of Representatives, General Assembly of the Territory of the United States Northwest of the River Ohio from the 16th of September to the 27th of October 1799." Volume 2, "from the 28th of October to the 27th of November 1799." This is all that is recorded of the first session; from our printed copy the legislature closed December 19, 1799. Volume 3, "Journal of the House of Representatives at the session of 1801, from the 9th of January 1802." The last record in this book is "Friday, January 22, 1802." The session adjourned Saturday, January, 23, 1802. These are all the volumes of journals. The miscellaneous papers contain the acts to incorporate Cincinnati, Athens, Marietta, Chillicothe, and the University of Athens, and many letters and messages of St. Clair, various bills, receipts, etc.

"Journal of the Legislative Council of the Territory of the United States, Northwest of the River Ohio, at their Second Session, begun and held at Chillicothe on the third day of November, Anno Domini, MDCCC." This journal comprises 77 pages, 2 of which are devoted to the standing rules and orders. The other copy of this is in the Ohio State library.

NOTE ON PUBLIC RECORDS OF HAMILTON COUNTY.

The writer was unable to make a complete survey of the offices. Future investigation will bring, it is hoped, much to light. The same is true of other counties, more or less fully examined.

Probate judge.—The records in this office are complete, but without much historical interest.

Recorder's office.—Records are complete and in good shape, except that some of the oldest books are nearly worn out from use. There are no original papers here, only copies of deeds. The oldest record is the copy of patent by the United States to John Cleves Symmes.

County clerk.—Nearly everything was destroyed by the fire of 1884, when the mob took possession for a while of the halls. Records have been partially

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restored from fragments and other sources. In the court-house cellar are several bushels of partially burned and badly charred documents, but the county clerk is in doubt of the possibility of the substantial recovery of matters of interest.

City Clerk.—This office has a complete record of council proceedings. A description of the oldest material is contained in a pamphlet published by the present clerk.

WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOUNDED 1867.

In handsome and commodious quarters are to be found, in addition to various antiquities representing life and customs among the American Indians and kindred collections, the following:

Originals and copies of originals of the papers of the Connecticut Land Company, consisting of the minutes of meetings, reports, drafts of land allotments, and instructions to agents and correspondence with agents. Mounted and unmounted, 1796–1810.

Originals of the papers of the surveyors and their assistants on the lands of the Connecticut Land Company and fire lands, with field notes, sketches, accounts, and correspondence. Mostly classified, 1796–1815.

Originals of sketches and surveys for maps of townships and other layouts made by surveyors and signed, 1796 to 1806. Mounted.

Originals of business papers of first settlers on the reserve, consisting of accounts, deeds, records, correspondence, receipts, etc. Unclassified and unarranged, 1796 to 1820.

Original Heckwelder report and map of the Western Reserve (published in the Magazine of the Western History, volume 1).

Originals and copies of originals of military papers relating to Indian troubles in Ohio. Capt. William Trent (copies), 1752; published. Gen. J. Harmar (copies), 1789–1791; unpublished. Captain Heart (copies), 1789–1791; partly published. Captain Heart (originals); scattering. Arthur St. Clair (originals); scattering; unpublished. Anthony Wayne (originals); letters unpublished. George Tod (originals), war of 1812; partly published. Scattering (originals), war of 1812; partly published. John Fitch Papers (copies), 1770–1784, from originals in Philadelphia.

Originals of papers deposited by descendants of first settlers, deeds, records, etc.; unclassified.

Writings of pioneers, giving their reports on the first years in northern Ohio; partly published.

Memoranda of Col. Charles Whittlesey, in a large collection of pamphlets and marginal notes on same referring to economic questions in Ohio and the Northwest (Lake Superior); unclassified.

Field books and notes of surveys of Colonel Whittlesey on geology and railroad and mining in Wisconsin and Ohio; unclassified.

Scrapbooks of C. W. Butterworth on Americana, with memoranda and marginal notes and revisions in manuscript.

In the public library, Cleveland, are the following:

Drafts of lands belonging to Connecticut Land Company in Connecticut Western Reserve, 1798.

Cartes Geographie * * * de l'Ohio, 1825.

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MARIETTA COLLEGE, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

There are in possession of the college the following:

The Putnam Papers, five volumes, containing autograph letters from Washington, Hamilton, Burr, Wolcott, Cutler, Wayne, St. Clair, Worthington, and many others. There are also rough drafts of the letters that General Putnam had written to those persons himself. (Abstracts made by Putnam himself.)

The Hildreth Papers, five volumes, containing nearly all the material from which Doctor Hildreth compiled his Pioneer History. One volume contains a number of letters from General Greene to his cousin, Griffin Greene, of Marietta.

Minutes of the Muskingum Academy, from which Marietta College grew.

Diary of John Matthews, while surveying the First Seven Ranges.

Papers of Col. William R. Putnam, the grandson of Gen. Rufus Putnam. Abstracts or copies of these are to be found in the State library in two volumes in typewritten material presented by Prof. Martin R. Andrews, of Marietta College. He is also preparing another volume of loose manuscripts for the same place.

Capt. Gage Barker, of Marietta, has many papers left by his grandfather, Col. Joseph Barger, who built the boats for Blennerhasset. Among these is a pamphlet by Jo Daveiss, the United States attorney for Kentucky in 1806–7.

Miss Maria Woodbridge, of the city, has a number of letters from Blennerhasset to his friend Dudley Woodbridge.

ROSS COUNTY.

Special opportunity and peculiar interest in the old capital of the State made the drudgery of examination of the records of this county less burdensome, and produced results of some value.

Ross County was formed by proclamation of Governor St. Clair August 20, 1798, the sixth county in the Northwest Territory. It got its name from a Pennsylvania Federalist, by name James Ross. Nathaniel Massie, explorer, surveyor, settler, and first citizen appears there in 1792. He is soon followed by immigrants from Virginia and Kentucky, among them Dr. Edward Tiffin and his brother-in-law, Col. Thomas Worthington. August, 1796, Chillicothe was laid out on the east side of the Scioto River. In 1800 it became the seat of the Territorial government, the change from Cincinnati being made not without protest. In 1801 the sessions of the Territorial legislature were held in the town in a small two-story, hewed-log house.

In 1800 the old statehouse was begun, and finished the next year. It is believed to have been the first public stone edifice in the Territory. In it were held the sessions of the Territorial legislature and of the convention that framed the State constitution. In it also were held the sessions of the assembly until 1810, when the removal of the capital was ordered.

Chillicothe was duly incorporated January 4, 1802. The old courthouse is not in evidence, but the new one offers to the student of the early documents, both of the county and of the State documents

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rare opportunities for unearthing material of special value. In the present court-house may be seen the old table on which the first constitution was written, the top of black walnut, the legs of cherry, an oval, 6 feet by 3½.

MATERIAL FROM THE OFFICES OF PROBATE JUDGE, COUNTY CLERK, AND RECORDER, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO.

Office of Probate Judge.

The records of the office are well kept and unbroken. The material of interest and value is as follows:

One volume, Patent Records, Ross County.

One volume, Inspector's Report.

One volume, Examiner's Report.

Eleven volumes, Certified Bill Records. (From August 24, 1881–1906.)

Three volumes, Naturalization Records. The three following cases were recorded on the 24th of October, 1851: Patrick Mogmilun (Ireland), John Follay (Ireland), Cornelius Bastabad (Ireland). The next four cases were from Ireland. Then one from Wurttemberg, one from Switzerland, and two from Baden.

Four volumes, General Index. Has all save marriages, births, and deaths. Volume 1. Initials A to L, 1798–1887. Volume 2. Initials M to Z, 1798–1887. Volume 3. Initials A to L, 1888–1906. Volume 4. Initials M to Z, 1888–1906.

Six volumes, Administrator's Docket.

Five volumes, Appearance Docket.

Seven volumes, Records of Appointments of Administrators.

Five volumes, Records of Appointments of Executors.

Five volumes, Records of Appointments of Guardians.

Four volumes, Guardians and Trustees Docket.

Thirty-seven volumes, Journals.

Eighteen volumes, Will Records.

Thirty-nine volumes, Account Records.

Forty-one volumes, General Records.

One volume, Feeble-Minded Records.

Four volumes, Lunacy Records.

One volume, Blind Register Records.

Six volumes, Printers Affidavits Records.

Two volumes, Epilepsy Records.

Twenty-three volumes, Real Estate Records.

One volume, Record of Appeals from County Commissioners on road matters.

Five volumes, Births from January 1, 1867, to July 3, 1906.

Four volumes, Deaths from 1867 to 1906.

Twenty-five volumes, Marriages. The records from 1803 to 1852 have been rebound in three volumes. The first marriage occurred April 7, 1803. The parties were William Rudie and Rachel Cox.

One volume, "Record Book" of various ordinances. The records extend from January 22, 1824 to April 12, 1858. In the first three years the spelling of the name of the city was *Chillacotha*. Its ending in "e" dates from April 7, 1817. The following are the ordinances for the year 1814:

1. An Ordinance Regulating the Market in the town of Chillacotha and defining the duties of the Clerk thereof.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the Mayor and Commonalty of the town of Chillacotha that markets shall be holden in the market house of the

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town of Chillacotha on Wednesdays and Saturdays of each and every week; that it shall be the duty of the Clerk to remove, or cause to be removed, any filth or dirt that may have accumulated, or may hereafter accumulate in the market house, and to have the same properly cleaned at such times as he may decide necessary; and he is hereby authorized and directed to provide sufficient benches for the accomodation of the market people, and to place or cause to be placed good substantial gates on turnpikes at the entrance of the market house, with locks, chains or some other sufficient fastening to prevent the domestic animals of the town from entering therein; and to have the fence enclosing the same put and kept in a proper state of repair.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to provide and examine government scales and weights.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to see that waggons and carts do not obstruct the way.

Section 4. Be it further ordained and enacted, that it shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Market to attend the market regularly every market morning from daylight until ten o'clock from the first day of November to the first day of May, and from daylight until eight o'clock from the first day of May until the first day of November in each and every year; and diligently to examine every article offered for sale, and if merchantable, the owner may proceed to sell the same; but if any article offered for sale shall be deemed by the Clerk of the Market unwholesome, or unfit for use, he shall direct the owner, or owners thereof, forthwith to remove the article out of the limits of the corporation, and on neglect or refusal to do so, the owner, or owners, shall be fined by the Mayor not less than the sum of one dollar nor more than five dollars, agreeably to the nature of the offence.

Section 5. That in order the better to prevent fraud being practiced, either in offering light or unwholsesome provisions for sale, or in passing base money before daylight, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons to buy or sell any provisions or other articles in the market house before daylight, nor before the Clerk of the Market House shall give notice that market has begun. (On margin "the ringing of the bell").

Section 6. Prohibits buying or selling of articles during market hours outside of market house.

Section 7. Makes it the duty of the clerk to provide stalls for the different venders.

Section 8. Prohibits nuisances.

Section 9. Provides for sale of articles forfeited to the corporation.

Section 10. Be it further ordained and enacted, that every person who shall offer butter for sale during market hours shall have the same put up in prints or rolls containing some specific weight. Provided that each print or roll shall not contain more than five pounds nor less than half a pound

Section 11. Secures proper penalties for neglect of the above.

II. Ordinance dealing with public shows. Enacted February 5, 1814.

III. Ordinance dealing with rate of speed for horses, carts and wagons. Section two prohibited any cart or wagon from going faster than a walk. This was not repealed until 1828.

IV. An ordinance providing for fire buckets. Every person owning or occupying a house shall provide one or more buckets in ratio to size of dwelling; any person owning house valued at over $600 shall provide four buckets, each to hold at least two gallons. This ordinance was passed March 1, 1814, and repealed May 7, 1819.

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Records of Court of Common Pleas, Clerk's Office.

The following is the report from this office:

Nine volumes, General Index.

Fifty-five volumes, "Order Book." One volume deals with the Territorial court for the years 1789–1800. The first page has this preface: "By virtue of a general commission from his Excellency, Arthur St. Clair, General and Commander-in-chief of the Territory of the United States Northwest of the Ohio River, Thomas Worthington, James Scott, Samuel Finley, William Patton and Elias Langham, Esquires, were constituted Justices of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Ross, by commission bearing date, Cincinnatti the eleventh day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the United States the twenty-third, whereby they or any three of them were empowered and authorized to hold and keep a Court of Record in the said County, to be styled the County Court of Common Pleas, and therein to hold pleas of Assize, Scire Facias, Replevin, and hear and determine all manner of pleas, actions, suits and causes of a civil nature, real, personal and mixed, according to the Constitution and Laws of this Territory, and were all of them duly sworn according to law for the faithful discharge of their duties accordingly." At the same time Edward Tiffin was duly commissioned and sworn prothonotary of the said court and authorized to keep the seal and records thereof. One volume marked "A" bears dates of April 26, 1803–1806. It contains this record: "The first Court held under the Constitution of the State of Ohio, for the County aforesaid." The volume marked "B" is missing. The volume marked "C" holds record for 1807–8. The volume marked "D" bears dates of 1808–9.

One volume, Journal "E," 1807–8.

One volume, Journal, 1811–1813.

One small volume, Issue Docket, June, 1799–January, 1803.

One small volume, "Permits to keep Tavern," 1804–1809.

Two volumes, Records of Negroes. In volume 1, page 1, June 1, 1906, Thomas Hicks entered the following: "Toby Bias, aged forty. Rachel Bias, aged thirty-five. Eli Bias, aged two and one-half. Eva Bias, aged four months. Charles Adkinson, aged twenty-one. On May 31, 1804, a black man named Lewis Cook entered himself. Bourbon County, March Court, 1804."

An instrument of writing under the hand and seal of Jesse Hitt emancipating a negroo (*sic*) man named Harry was produced in court and acknowledged by the said Jesse Hitt as his act and deed, hand and seal, in the following words and figures, which were ordered to be recorded, to wit:

Being convinced of the injustice of holding in the state of slavery our fellow creatures, I do hereby emancipate and set free a black man by the name of Harry, and do for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, relinquish all right title and claim to the said Harry from this nineteenth day of March as witness my hand and seal.

JESSE HITT. [SEAL.]

I do certify that the foregoing deed of manumission from Jesse Hitt to negroo Harry is a true copy from the records in my office. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of my office this twenty-eighth day of March, eighteen hundred and four.

WILLIAM GARRARD Jr. *C. B. C.*

[BOURBON COUNTY SEAL.]

Received and recorded in my office on the second day of July, 1811.

HUMPHREY FULLERTON.

C. C. C. P. R. C.

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Volume II covers records from 1810–1853. Deeds of manumission from the founder of Chillicothe:

To all whom these presents may be presented, That whereas Clerander, a black girl, was in the year 1800 brought into this State an infant by me and since has arrived at the age of eighteen, which by the law of this State has entitled her to her freedom, these are therefore to certify that the said Clerander, now known by the name of Clerander Green, is entitled unto her freedom agreeable to the laws of the State. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at Chillicothe in the County of Ross and State of Ohio this fourth day of September, eighteen-hundred and eleven.

NATHANIEL MASSIE.

Another from the same hand:

CHILLICOTHE, *June 10, 1811.*

I do hereby certify that the bearer hereof, Mike, was raised by me from his infancy and that I brought him to this County. During residence with me he was honest and never thought a willful lye nor have I ever lernt since he left me that he was charged with either and I do also certify that he came with me to this State then the North West Territory in the year 1792 and been absent but a short time.

N. MASSIE.

Entered according to the act, entitled, "An act to regulate black and mulatto persons."

Entries similar to these ran on to August 21, 1853.

In "Executors Document" of April–June, 1802, is an original order of Edward Tiffin, prothonotary, to the sheriff of the county. The amount was for $193.72 and was signed the last day of the June term.

One volume, Minute Book, 1813–1817.

One volume, Minute Book, 1818–1843.

One volume, Witness Book, 1819–1838.

One volume, Appearance Docket, 1801–1815.

Numerous volumes of Execution Docket bearing the following dates:

1802–1806.	1821–1826.	1843–1848.	1859–1862.	1878–1880.
1807–1809.	1826–1835.	1848–1853.	1862–1866.	1880–1890.
1810–1815.	1835–1840.	1854–1857.	1866–1870.	1890–1893.
1815–1821.	1841–1843.	1857–1859.	1874–1878.	1893–1896.

One volume, Order of Sale Docket, 1884–1888.

"Rule Docket." Two volumes marked "A." Volume I, October, 1810–April, 1818. Volume II, July, 1818–August, 1821. Volume marked "B" is missing Volume marked "C" bears dates September, 1827–July, 1836.

Several volumes, Complete Records, bearing these dates:

April, 1803–October, 1804.
October, 1804–July, 1805.
December, 1805–January, 1807.
March, 1807–June, 1807.
February, 1808–November, 1808.
March, 1809–September, 1809.
January, 1810–October, 1811.
February, 1812–April, 1814.
September, 1814–May, 1816.
May, 1816–April, 1817.
August, 1817–April, 1818.
April, 1818–October, 1818.
April, 1819–November, 1819.
November, 1819–November, 1820.
November, 1820–February, 1822.
February, 1822–June, 1823.
November, 1823–November, 1826.
October, 1826–June, 1828.
November, 1828–August, 1830.
September, 1830–June, 1832.
October, 1832–June, 1834.
June, 1834–October, 1835.
March, 1836–July, 1837.
July, 1837–July, 1838.
July, 1838–July, 1840.

These continue thus down to No. 71.

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Material in Clerk's Office pertaining to District Court.

An act of Congress provided that a district court of the United States should be held three sessions annually, the first to begin the first Monday in June, 1803.

Three volumes, Complete Records, are in this office and bear these dates: October, 1853–September, 1869; September, 1870–September, 1882; September, 1882–September, 1884.

One volume, Apperance Docket, September, 1866–January, 1885.

One volume, Order Book, September, 1876–September, 1884.

One volume, District Court Judgments, 1858–1883.

Material in Clerk's Office pertaining to Supreme Court.

The constitution of 1802 organized a supreme court, consisting of three judges to be elected by the legislature for the term of seven years, "if they so long behave well." In 1804 a fourth judge was added by the legislature. In 1810 the number was reduced to three. In 1816 the number was again increased to four.

Supreme Court Journal. Two volumes, bound in pasteboard. Volume I, 1803–4. Volume II, 1816–1822.

One volume, Supreme Court Docket, November, 1805–November, 1823.

One volume, Appearance Docket, 1801–1805.

One volume, Minute Book, quarter sessions of peace for Ross County, 1798.

One volume, Order Book C, May, 1806–June, 1807.

One volume, Order Book, 1823–1839.

One volume, Order Book, 1840–1843.

One volume, Order Book, 1843–1875.

One volume, Issue Docket, November, 1805–November, 1808.

One volume Issue Docket, 1821–1841.

Records of supreme court are in volumes bearing these dates:

1803–1804.	1817–1819.	1822–1830.	1835–1837.	1841–1843.
1805–1808.	1819–1820.	1830–1832.	1837–1841.	1844–1852.
1810–1816.	1820–1822.	1832–1835.		

The following volumes of the ledger of supreme court are in this office:

November, 1805–November, 1808.	November, 1832–November, 1835.
July, 1810–December, 1816.	November, 1835–November, 1837.
December, 1817–December, 1819.	November, 1837–November, 1841.
December, 1819–December, 1820.	November, 1841–November, 1843.
December, 1820–December, 1822.	November, 1844–May, 1852.
August, 1830–November, 1832.	

The early judges—names of frequent occurrence.

The Territorial judges:

Samuel Holden Parsons, April, 1788–November, 1789.

James Mitchell Varnuin, April, 1788–February, 1789.

John C. Symmes, February, 1789–April, 1803.

George Turner, September, 1789–February, 1798.

Rufus Putnam, January, 1790–October, 1796.

Joseph Gilman, November, 1796–April, 1803.

R. J. Meigs, jr., February, 1798–April, 1803.

Judge United States district court for Ohio: Charles W. Bird, March 3, 1803–August 11, 1828.

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Early judges supreme court of Ohio:
Samuel Huntingdon, 1803–1808.
R. J. Meigs, 1803–4.
William Sprigg, 1803–1806.
Daniel Symmes, 1805–1808.
George Tod, 1806–1810.
Thomas Scott, 1809–1816.
Early president judges court common pleas:
Francis Dunlevy, western circuit 1803–1817.
Levin Betts, middle circuit, 1804–1810.
Calvin Pease, eastern circuit, 1803–1810.

Material dealing with the city of Chillicothe.

In 1798 Gen. Arthur St. Clair appointed for Ross County justices of a court of quarter session, and on Friday, March 4, 1799, the following action was taken: "Ordered that Thomas Worthington and William Patton, Esquires, do apply to Colonel N. Massie for a deed for the public land on which the Court House, Jail, etc., are to be built to be made to the Court of Common Pleas for Ross County and their successors for the use of the County. Ordered that the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars be appropriated out of the Treasury for the purpose of assisting towards defraying the expenses of building the Court House, Jail, etc." In 1799 the court-house was completed and lasted until 1852, when it was supplanted by the new court-house.

Material from Office of the Recorder.

One hundred and fifty-two volumes, Deed Records, from 1797 to present. In volume 1 is the record of the first deed and was given by N. Massie to John Atchinson. The first will, September 1, 1797, is also recorded in this volume.

Three volumes, Indentures of Apprenticeship: 1801–2, 1802–3, 1826–1884. 1884.

One volume, Protest Docket, 1845–1854.

Seventy-one volumes, Mortgage Records, beginning 1850. All mortgages before 1850 are found in the "Deed Records."

Fifteen volumes, "Deeds and Mortgages." Titles by townships.

One volume, containing acts of incorporation of various clubs, literary societies, and kindred bodies, 1844–1891.

One volume, Record of Surveys, 1826–1845.

One volume, "Survey Book." Copy of plat of original land grants. Virginia military land grants, 1793. Map of Chillicothe, April 29, 1802. A true copy of original as laid out by N. Massie, but the lower half is missing.

In volume 36 of Deed Records is an interesting will, involving transfer of immense properties in land about the Falls of St. Anthony, dating as far back as 1767. The signature of the "Turtle" for seal of the tribe is unique.[a]

[a] In conclusion, it is expected that examination of two or three others of the original counties, such as Washington and Trumbull, will prove of worth to the searcher for papers and records bearing upon the early years of the State.

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A PRELIMINARY REPORT UPON THE ARCHIVES OF TENNESSEE.

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INTRODUCTION.[a]

Very many circumstances have conspired to prevent the preservation of anything like a complete body of archives of the State of Tennessee. In what may be called the colonial period, when the country was under the distant jurisdiction of North Carolina, throughout the time when the Federal Government was in control of the territory south of the river Ohio, and even in the earlier years of autonomous statehood, Tennessee was of the frontier, and men were busy preserving their lives and their civilization, not their records. Moreover, besides being men of action—pioneers, subduing the forest and the Indian—the earlier settlers were of a restless type, which lacked the close connection with the habits of the old country that made the landowners of Virginia and Maryland so punctilious in their observance of English forms. When statehood was accomplished, the records and papers of the primitive governmental experiments of Watauga, Cumberland, and Franklin lost most of their practical importance, and were neglected, till the labor or the good fortune of later antiquaries rescued some of them from unsuspected hiding places.

Again, the physical configuration of the State, the wide separation between the Cumberland settlements and those of the East Tennessee valleys, and the fact that until relatively late in the State's history the Indian tribes extended like wedges into the land occupied by the whites—all this helped bring about the division of the State into first two, then three sections, each with marked characteristics of its own. So much was this the case that the threefold division worked itself into the law, where it remains to the present day. This has multiplied offices, especially in the courts and in the administration of matters relating to land. There are no less than six depositories,

[a] Without the courteous and interested assistnce of many State and county officials the work would have been impossible. Especially to the secretary of the department of archives, Mr. R. T. Quarles, and to the State librarian, Miss Skeffington, the author is greatly indebted. To Prof. F. W. Moore, and to Messrs. A. T. McNeal, E. T. Sanford, and Luke Lea he is most grateful for advice, letters of introduction, and personal interest.

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for example, in which the land records of the State must be sought. These are all exclusive of the county land registers' offices, and only one of these six is in the capitol at Nashville.

Furthermore, besides the damages attendant upon the destruction of buildings where records are stored, and the losses due to ignorance and carelessness, the State of Tennessee has suffered from two peculiar ills. In the first place, even after the State of Franklin and the other transitory phases of government had passed by, and the period of statehood had been entered, the seat of government continued to be migratory. Until 1807 the assemblies met at Knoxville. Then two sessions were held at Kingston, and two more again at Knoxville. In 1812, 1813, and 1815, the meetings were at Nashville, in 1817 at Knoxville, and in 1819 Murfreesboro was chosen instead. In 1826 a return was made to Nashville, which has since been the capital of the State, though during the civil war an adjourned session was held, in 1862, in Memphis. In October, 1853, the thirtieth general assembly made use, for the first time, of the present capitol building.

In the second place, during the civil war the records, and especially those of the counties, were often roughly handled and scattered through the occupation of the different parts of the State by hostile armies. Court-houses and other public buildings were used for military purposes, and sometimes there was malicious destruction.

With due allowance, however, for these evils, the fact remains that the chief cause of loss has been the carelessness and lack of public interest in the State with reference to the preservation of historical materials. In early years, indeed, the land records were preserved with some care, and the laws from time to time made provision for copying those of immediate importance.[a] But as time went on, and the wealth and activities of the State expanded, the interest in her history was limited to relatively few individuals and failed to impress itself on the people as a whole. Lacking the spur of public sentiment, the legislature did not provide the material means necessary to the task of keeping the archives of the State in safety. The story of this indifference and of the vain attempts to remedy it will be told and the results, in the present condition of the archives, will be described in more detail below. Before entering upon these topics, however, it seems well to discuss the few papers which date from the years prior to the admission of Tennessee into the Union.

ARCHIVES OF THE PERIOD BEFORE STATEHOOD.

A study of the somewhat peculiar history of the State of Tennessee makes it evident that besides the records which are in the strict sense the archives of that State there are other similar materials

[a] See, for example, acts of Tennessee, 1801, chapter 4; 1804, chapter 14; 1806, chapter 11; 1807, chapter 2.

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which must be taken into account in any report, however brief, upon the subject.

1. The fact that the lands west of the mountains belonged first to the province and then to the State of North Carolina makes the records of that State very important for the early history of Tennessee. This connection, however, was perpetuated long beyond the time when the two Commonwealths had become politically independent of each other, through the fact that North Carolina in her act of cession to the Federal Government reserved, and the United States recognized, her right to satisfy the claims of her soldiers and others to whom land had been granted. This led to a long and bitter controversy, and the acts of the North Carolina government, as well as those of Tennessee, must be studied in order to understand it. The number of copies of North Carolina land-books in the Tennessee land offices, which copies were provided for by laws of Tennessee, is a further proof of this statement. The same thing is true, though to a much less degree, with reference to the boundary controversies with Kentucky and other States. It would require, however, a special research, impossible in the present report, to find and classify the part of the archives of North Carolina which are thus directly and intimately related to the history of Tennessee.

2. An exception to this last statement is found in the records of those western counties of North Carolina, which were located in what is now the State of Tennessee. By admitting and seating its delegates in the assembly, North Carolina recognized Washington District, and the next year (November, 1777) North Carolina established Washington County, with boundaries coextensive with the present State of Tennessee. The records of this county, and of those later cut off from it by North Carolina, may be called the colonial records of Tennessee. Of course the county courts when once organized went on and passed under the State government of Tennessee without change, except in the case of Tennessee County, which gave up its name and was divided into Robertson and Montgomery counties. These early counties were then Washington, Sullivan, Greene, and Hawkins, in the eastern, and Davidson, Sumner, and Tennessee, in the western part of the State; to which were added under the territorial government (see below) Knox, Jefferson, Sevier, and Blount. Under the head of "county archives" the records of Washington County (early), Davidson County, and Knox County are described below.

3. Beginning prior to any of these counties, and continuing nearly to the organization of the Territory south of the river Ohio, there developed those independent or irregular agreements of early settlers, which make the transitional period so interesting to the student of constitutional history. These are, in order, the Watauga agree-

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ment, the Cumberland compact, the State of Franklin, the agreement of the settlers south of the French Broad and Holston rivers, and the agreement of the people of Clarksville.

(*a*) Watauga. Ramsey (Annals of Tennessee, p. 107) says that after the most diligent inquiry and patient search, he was unable to discover the original association of 1772. In his account of the Watauga government he follows Haywood, and Haywood is nearly always silent as to his sources. Ramsey reproduces in full (pp. 119–120) the deed of conveyance made to the Watauga people by Henderson & Co., and other land documents, quoting the same as from the register's office of Washington County. If this is correct, the deed must have been recorded at some later time, for it is dated 1775, and Washington County was not established until 1777. Ramsey tells us (p. 134) of his finding the petition for annexation to North Carolina in an old bundle of papers in Raleigh, and gives the document in full. He indicates that he left the document in the archives at Raleigh. It would be interesting to know whether it is there now. Ramsey refers to other papers in his possession.

The Watauga association thus passed into the district of Washington, and that into Washington County. The records of this county are constantly quoted by Ramsey. They are more fully discussed below. (See county archives.)

(*b*) The Cumberland Association or Compact. The original of this, which was drawn up in 1780, was found in 1846 by Mr. A. W. Putnam in an old trunk which had belonged to Col. Robert Barton. The association, and the minutes of the committee kept by the clerk, are now in the possession of the Tennessee Historical Society. The volume contained 39 pages; the first is gone and the second torn. It is labeled "Original Papers relating to the Town of Nashville (Nashborough), 1783–1788." These dates are wrong, for the period covered is from 1780 to 1783. The agreement itself has frequently been published, for example, in Putnam's History of Middle Tennessee. The minutes or record of proceedings were published with some omissions by the Tennessee Historical Society; in "The American Historical Magazine and Tennessee Historical Society Quarterly, April–July, 1902, Vol. VII, Nos. 2 and 3.

In 1783 Davidson County was established by North Carolina. For the records of this county, see county archives, below.

(*c*) The State of Franklin. Haywood, in his account of the State of Franklin, prints at length a number of State papers, and the same is done by Ramsey, only to a far greater degree. Ramsey mentions as sources from which he has drawn the papers of Rev. S. Houston and the papers of General Kennedy. It appears thus that Ramsey had at his disposal materials which no longer exist. This supposi-

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tion is borne out by a statement which Ramsey made some years after publishing the first and only volume of his Annals of Tennessee. In 1876, in a letter to Governor James D. Porter concerning the expulsion of William Blount from the Senate, Ramsey wrote:

> [Willie Blount's vindication of his brother] together with all the other Blount papers, executive journal, and correspondence, with which the executor of Governor Willie Blount had generously enriched my large collection of historical, biographical, and other material, for my second volume, were all in my office when, in September, 1863, my private residence, my office, my extensive historical library, my correspondence, my museum, my manuscripts, all became a prey to the rapacity and incendiarism of a Federal soldier and were all consumed together. (Am. Hist. Mag., etc., Jan., 1902, Vol. VII, No. 1.)

To give an exhaustive list of the scattered Franklin documents or reprints of documents which remain in the possession of the Tennessee Historical Society, in the Draper Collections at Madison, Wis., in the Virginia State papers, in the archives of the Department of State of the United States, or in private hands, is, at the present time, beyond the power of the compiler of this report. It is possible, however, to speak in more detail of two documents of special importance. These are the proposed constitutions, not adopted, which are known as the Jonesboro and the Greeneville constitutions, respectively. Ramsey, when he wrote the "Annals," had seen only the latter of these, which he reprinted. (Annals, pp. 325–334.) This he traced back to the papers of Landon Carter, secretary of state under the Franklin government. But in 1880 he presented to the Tennessee Historical Society a complete copy (printed, like the former) which he had obtained from the estate of the Rev. Samuel Houston. This is now in the possession of the historical society, which has reprinted it in the American Historical Magazine, etc., January, 1896, Vol. I, No. 1.

It was supposed that no copy of the Jonesboro constitution was extant. Such a copy was found in 1904 "tied up in a little paper box in the office of the insurance commissioner on the third floor of the capitol at Raleigh (N. C.)." This was printed in the Charlotte Daily Observer of September 25, 1904, and reprinted (apparently not from the original, but from the newspaper) in the American Historical Magazine, etc., October, 1904, Vol. IX, No. 4.

Among the Washington County papers (see below) in the Tennessee Historical Society are two sheets loosely sewn which seem to be a copy of some administrative minutes. On the cover is the statement of James Sevier, clerk of Washington County, State of Franklin:

> "Court adjd till court in course
> From a general insurrection of the times.
> (to?) this (?) day of May, 1786."

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(*d*) Association South of French Broad and Holston. Ramsey (Annals, pp. 435–436) prints the articles of association of these settlers, which after the fall of the Franklin government were left without any legal authority. The articles resemble strongly those of Watauga.

(*e*) The Clarksville Association. The minutes of the Convention are in the Draper Collections, William Clark Papers, Wisconsin State Library.

4. The acts of the Federal Government should next be mentioned. As in the case of North Carolina, intimate connection with the national legislature was perpetuated through the land disputes. Also, the series known as the American State Papers, Public Lands, contain much that is complementary to the archives of Tennessee.

5. After 1781 the control of Indian affairs, and especially the making of Indian treaties, devolved upon the United States. These records are indispensable for Tennessee history.

6. April 2, 1790, Congress accepted the second cession of North Carolina, and June 8 Washington commissioned William Blount governor of the territory south of the river Ohio. In the possession of the Tennessee Historical Society is the document entitled "A journal of the Proceedings of William Blount, Esq., Governor in and over the Territory of the United States of America, South of the River Ohio, in his Executive Department."

This journal extends from October 22, 1790, to March 1, 1796, containing 117 pages. A reprint, with omissions, is to be found in the American Historical Magazine, etc., Vol. II, No. 3, July, 1897.

The journal of the territorial legislature was reprinted in 1851, together with the first legislative journal of the State.

ARCHIVES OF THE PERIOD OF STATEHOOD. 1796.

As will be seen from a consideration of the report as a whole, a scientific classification of the archive material of Tennessee is well-nigh impossible. It seems best to discuss, one after the other, the chief places where such materials are to be found, giving in each case some words of explanation as to how and why such places became depositories. We shall, therefore, begin with the office of the secretary of state, giving a sketch of its history as connected with the care of the archives, and then take up the other offices in the capitol at Nashville, where archive materials are to be found. There must be included, also, the rooms and collections of the Tennessee Historical Society in the same city. After this will be discussed the land records of the State, and finally the archives or some of the leading counties will be described.

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THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

In the year 1796, by article 2, section 17, of the first constitution of the State of Tennessee, it was made the duty of the secretary of state to keep a fair register of all the official acts and proceedings of the governor, and when required to lay the same, and all papers, minutes, and vouchers relative thereto, before the general assembly, and to perform such other duties as shall be enjoined upon him by law. By chapter 3 of the acts of the same year the duties of the secretary were made more specific. He should attend at every session of the legislature, copy the bills (and proceedings) for the printer, and preserve the originals in a book. He was also to keep in a book a record of all bonds, and to affix the seal of the State to all commissions and to record them.

In this way the secretary of state became the supposed keeper of the archives which belonged to the legislative and executive parts of the government. But as no other officers had the care of papers directly entrusted to them by the law, the secretary's office became the general depositary of all papers which were to be preserved. This was true, especially of the land records, and most of all those which had to do with the dispute with North Carolina. In addition to his other duties, the secretary of state was constituted, by an act of 1823, land commissioner of West Tennessee, in the place of a former board; and thus he became himself a land officer. These facts seem worthy of mention in order to explain the large number of papers dealing with land now to be found in the office of the secretary of state. These land papers will receive separate treatment below.

It is doubtless because of the fact that there was only one secretary of state, and that it became a habit to deposit in his office papers which belonged to other departments of the government, that we have those papers of the earlier period of the State's history which remain to us. If overcrowding was a certain result, at least there was some unity. In general there was the greatest looseness as to governmental and particularly as to legislative procedure. To illustrate this point we may take the subject of finance. There were at first two and later three treasurers elected by the legislature. The reports of these officers on the finances of the State, at first very meager, were audited, not by any fixed and constituted authority, but by a committee or committees of the legislature, which varied in membership from session to session. In 1835, after the adoption of the second constitution, Governor Newton Cannon commented on the dangers of the existing system and urged the appointment of a comptroller and the office was established by the legislature. In the earlier period, when the treasurers had turned in the abstract of their reports to be included in the printed journals of the assembly, neither

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they nor any one else seem to have felt the necessity of preserving the original papers. Some, however, drifted into the office of the secretary of state and thus escaped destruction.

As will appear later in this paper, the judicial records, while more carefully preserved, have suffered from the division of the supreme court and the establishment of three separate clerk's offices.

The standing committees of the legislature, to which were referred the mass of petitions, protests, and other similar papers, seem occasionally to have had some chairman of more than usual thoughtfulness, who tied up bundles of such committee papers, and left them in the secretary's office, from whence in the course of time, after varied experiences, they have found their way into the archives. Many of the papers of this kind refer to banking, money, internal improvement, education, public lands, etc., and are of the greatest value to the historian. Unfortunately the precarious manner of their survival has rendered them all too incomplete.

In his message for 1837–38 Governor Newton Cannon called attention to the overcrowding that already existed. He suggested "the repeal of the law requiring the office of the secretary of state to be kept where it now is, and the passing of an act authorizing the secretary to procure a more suitable place therefor. The rooms at present occupied, besides being indispensable for the use of the committees of the legislature, are by no means suitable for the preservation of the official documents, books, and papers of the State."[a] The legislature seems to have done nothing, and this situation probably continued unchanged until the completion and occupation of the new State capitol building in 1853. Doubtless this afforded for the time being ample room, and, in the case of land records, the number that remain show that some effort was made to save these. But in less than ten years came the civil war, the military occupation of Nashville, and then the régime of the triumphant party. These circumstances were not favorable to the preservation of the State papers. The departing State government, which was Confederate in sympathy, took its papers with it. In the financial difficulties which arose from this fact is seen the clearest illustration of the losses connected with this period.

Whatever mistakes may be charged against the Brownlow administration of reconstruction times, there was one recommendation of that governor which the State would well have heeded. In his message of October 3, 1865, Governor Brownlow invited the attention of the legislature to the condition of the different land offices of the State: "Of the five registers elected at your late session, not one has qualified by taking the prescribed oath and executing the necessary bond. The reason is to be found in the fact that the fees are wholly

[a] House Journal, 1837–38, p. 23.

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inadequate to command the services of capable men. The consequence is that the records of the titles of all the lands granted by the State are in the possession of those into whose hands they accidentally fell during the war, who are under the obligations of neither bond nor oath. The interests endangered are immense, so much so that the law requires a bond of $50,000 from each register. I recommend the consolidation of the several offices into one, and the centralization of all the records in the capitol. If the fees of the office should still be deemed insufficient, as they probably will be, the office may be consolidated with that of secretary of state, in which event the salary of that officer would have to be increased, or a clerk furnished him."

If it had been possible to carry out this suggestion and combine all the land records in the capitol at Nashville, and if in addition better facilities had been provided for the secretary of state, perhaps there would have been more care for the other archives, and soon separate rooms or even a new building might have been secured. But the time was not ripe for such measures. Instead of bringing the land offices to Nashville, the assembly enacted that the land offices at Knoxville, Athens, Sparta, and Jackson should be consolidated with the office of entry taker in each of those places. The officers' bonds were placed at $20,000, and it was declared that "whoever may now have the books and papers belonging to said offices shall deliver them to their successors as soon as they qualify, as required by the first section of this act."

The suggestion of Governor Brownlow was repeated in 1879 by Governor James D. Porter, who again urged the removal of the records to the capitol and the appointment of one State register. Again the advice was not heeded.

Returning to the year 1865 we must call attention to one very interesting document of that year, which is printed in the appendix to the House Journal.[a] This is "A record of the committee appointed to examine the archives of the State and the assets of the Bank of Tennessee." In this are described the contents of 57 boxes of specie and 39 large boxes of papers which had been removed by the Confederate State government in the winter of 1862 and had recently been captured by the Federal army and returned to Nashville. The papers listed are largely financial, and belonged, like the specie, to the bank of the State. There are found, however, many of a general character, including land papers, pardons, election returns, etc., and some legislative journals, among them those of the extra session of 1861 (January), and the senate journal for the session of 1861–62. There are listed also original laws for the first and second extra sessions of 1861–62.

[a] Appendix to House Journal, 1865–66, pp. 3–44. October 2–9, 1865.

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Some of these journals are now in the office of the secretary of state (see below), and doubtless many of the papers are now among the materials in the office of the secretary of the department of archives. As yet, however, it is impossible to speak positively.

In the years that have passed since the war and reconstruction not only land papers, but documents of all sorts have continued to overflow the limited space of the secretary's office, and, removed to out-of-the-way parts of the capitol, to seek almost certain destruction. Executive messages have called the attention of the assembly to the crowded condition of this and other offices,[a] but that body has been mercilessly economical with reference to any expenditures for relief.

To this statement one exception should be noted. This is the recent provision by the legislature of a sum of money to pay the salary of a secretary of the department of archives. This is of very recent date, and will receive more extended comment below.

In an article in the American Historical Magazine and Tennessee Historical Society Quarterly for January, 1903, written by Dr. R. A. Halley, the author gives some interesting information concerning the condition of the archives of the State at that time. He remarks that but one department of the State has a complete file of its own printed reports. This notable exception is the State board of health. He found only two reports of the State librarian, and says that another investigator could find only one of the reports of the Tennessee Industrial School. The efforts of the superintendent of public instruction had resulted in the collection of a complete set of school reports, except for the years long antedating the war. As to the original records, he gives a graphic account of shameful neglect. The overcrowding of the office of the secretary of state led to the storing of the overflow in the west crypt of the capitol. Here "they lay piled in masses on the stone floors, among old paint barrels, ashes, and trash of every description, dirt, and grime. They were wet and rotting, and it was during this period that the janitor of the capitol burned up several cartloads because of the fact that they were 'wet and nasty and smelled bad.'"

Many records had already been defaced through the cupidity of stamp and autograph collectors, and some valuable papers were undoubtedly sold. The most flagrant instance of this is found in the ledgers and books of the old State Bank and its branches, more than 3,000 volumes of which, according to Doctor Halley, were stored in the basement of the capitol. "A superintendent of the capitol had these 3,000 great books ripped from their leather covers and sent a

[a] Governor Turney, in his message of January 6, 1897, briefly states the need for a capitol annex. (Senate journal, 1897, pp. 28–29.) Governor Frazier, in his message of January 3, 1905, likewise calls attention to the overcrowded offices of the capitol. (House journal, 1905, pp. 29–30.)

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score of great wagon loads to the junk dealers and received for them a good round sum for the heavy linen paper. The covers were burned in piles until the undertaking proved too great; because they burned with such slowness they were hauled off and dumped where a fill was being made in East Nashville for a street. This was years ago."

In a letter to Doctor Halley, Dr. R. L. C. White confirms his estimate of the condition of things, and, as an illustration, says:

> I accidentally found the most interesting and valuable single document of our history—the original draft of the Constitution of 1796, with the autograph signatures of all the members of the convention which framed it—covered with dust in the back of a pigeonhole in an unused closet, where it had doubtless lain undisturbed for thirty or forty years.

A further remark should be quoted:

> No blame for the condition of the archives attaches to the secretary of state or his predecessors. No official can effect an orderly and systematic arrangement of documents with the facilities at present afforded.

The beginning of actual progress toward improvement came in the administration of Governor Benton McMillin, in 1903. In the first place, Doctor Halley tells us, the records were moved from the west crypt to a dry place, the armory in the basement. This was made possible through repairs paid for out of a legislative appropriation for the repair of the capitol. The next step was a special appropriation by the legislature for constructing a room in which to store the records. The records were removed hither, from the basement, but still were without order or arrangement, until Governor McMillin, using a small surplus left over from the appropriation for the expenses of the governor's office, employed Mr. R. T. Quarles to go over the documents accumulated with a view to their preservation and classification.

Too much can not be said of the service rendered by the labor of Mr. Quarles. Though constantly hampered by lack of sufficient funds, he has brought into the chaos of papers which he found when his work began some degree of order and classification. But besides this he has continued to seek and acquire papers of all sorts from hidden corners of the capitol as well as from the present public offices. In this way the numbers of volumes and of bundles of manuscripts have increased faster than the work of classification.

In 1905, in connection with the petition of the Tennessee Historical Society, to which further reference will be made below, the attempt was made to interest the State legislature in the erection of a department of archives and history similar to that in the State of Alabama or that in Mississippi. For various reasons the attempt was a failure, and all that was secured was a somewhat meager appropriation to continue the services of the secretary of the department of archives during the next two years. There was thus begun a struggle for

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improvement of conditions in respect to the preservation of historical materials, which it will perhaps take some years to carry to a successful conclusion. Of the present contents and possessions of the office of the archivist, this report gives a more detailed account in the proper place below.[a] Something will be said also of the other offices in the capitol and of the Tennessee Historical Society. It is proper to take up first the contents of the office of the secretary of state, as investigated by the writer of this report.

PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The office of the secretary of state now comprises two rooms in the State capitol in Nashville. There are iron safes for the keeping of the books of immediate practical value; but, beyond the fact that the building is of stone construction, the books and papers are absolutely without protection against fire.

The books and papers of this office fall into four groups:

(1) In cases along the wall in the room marked "Archives" are the manuscript journals of the assembly and the manuscript acts and resolutions. On page 210 of this report will be found a table calendaring these by sessions of the assembly, together with the printed volumes of journals and acts in the State library. These are, of course, the most important of the State archives.

(2) In the next room are found several cases of recent books of this department. A descriptive list is given below.

(3) In cupboards in this adjoining room is a mass of material which relates in part to miscellaneous subjects. A detailed list is given below.

(4) In the same place, and not separated from the documents described in (3), are very many books particularly devoted to land matters. These are separately described with the "Land records" in a later part of this report.

LEGISLATIVE RECORDS, MANUSCRIPT AND PRINTED, OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE.

The tabular statement which follows is intended to show (1) every session of the legislature of Tennessee, with the date of its beginning and ending and the place where it sat; (2) the manuscript journals

[a] Since the above report was written further progress has been made. At the recent session of the general assembly (January–April, 1907), a committee of both houses appointed to investigate the office of the secretary of the department of archives made a thorough examination of the work thus far accomplished, paid a flattering tribute to the results attained by the secretary, and strongly recommended the provision of better quarters for the department. A bill to put the department upon a better footing failed to pass the senate, but the present appointment was continued for two years, with a total appropriation of $4,000—$1,500 a year for salary and $500 for expenses. This appropriation represents a considerable increase, while the awakened public and legislative interest augurs well for greater success in the future. At any rate the State archives are for two years more in careful hands, and it is certain that the good work thus far done will suffer no interruption.

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and session laws in the office of the secretary of state; (3) the printed journals and session laws in the State Library, and (4) the appendixes printed to the journals in the latter depositary. The dates of the session have been very carefully worked over, and approach, it is hoped, complete accuracy. The lists of acts and journals are the result of personal investigation, and, if alterations may be necessary, it will probably be through possible additions. The list of appendixes, on the other hand, is only a trial list, for these documents are not well classified and arranged, and it is doubtful if there is anywhere a complete set.

Prior to the adoption of the first constitution of the State, and under the territorial jurisdiction of the United States, three sessions were held by the Territorial legislature. These were the sessions of 1794, February 24 to March 1; 1794, August 25 to September 30, and 1795, June 29 to July 11. All these were held at Knoxville. The proceedings of the last two were printed in 1851, along with the reprinted journals of the constitutional convention of 1796 and the journals of the first State legislature.

Beside the regular legislative journals listed in the table, there are some of a special nature. Such, for example, is the journal of the impeachment of Judge Williams, in 1829, which is printed, as are also the journals recording the action of the legislature in committee in 1822, and again in 1826, on the subject of recommending to the people a new convention. Likewise there are special compilations of laws (other than the codes or collections of general statutes), such as various collections of the militia laws. Of these the writer hopes to give later a complete list in a bibliography of printed materials bearing on Tennessee.[a]

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[a] In a letter from the Library of Congress to the secretary of state of Tennessee, bearing date of November 6, 1905, the following are mentioned as desiderata in the collections of the Library of Congress:

Any journals or documents relating to the State of Franklin.

Any journals or documents relating to the territory of the United States south of the river Ohio prior to August, 1794.

Tennessee collected documents: Any prior to 1835, 1839, 1841, 1843–1849, 1855–1861, 1870, 1893, 1901.

House journals: 1797–1804; April, 1809; 1813–1817; extra session 1826, 1827, 1839, 1841, 1849, 1851; December, 1861; extra session May [?], 1891; 1898, 1901.

Senate journals: 1797–1805, 1813–1817, 1822; extra session 1826, 1827, 1839, 1847, 1861; May, 1870; extra session March, 1872; extra session May [?], 1891; 1898, 1901.

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Tabular Statement of Sessions, Journals, and Acts.

No. of assembly.	No. of session.	Year of session.	Began.	Ended.	Location.	Manuscript journals in office of secretary of state.	Printed journals in State library.	Manuscript acts, secretary state's office.	Printed acts, State library.
1	1	1796	Mar. 28	Apr. 23	Knoxville	S. and H.	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1796	July 30	Aug. 9	do		S. 1; H. 1		
2	1	1797	Sept. 18	Oct. 28	do	S. and H.			
	2	1798	Dec. 3	Jan. 5	do	S. 1; and H. 1			
3	1	1799	Sept. 16	Oct. 26	do				
4	1	1801	Sept. 21	Nov. 14	do	S. and H.	S. 1; H. 1		
5	1	1803	Sept. 19	Nov. 8	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1804	July 23	Aug. 4	do	H. 1			
6	1	1805	Sept. 16	Nov. 4	do		H. 1		
	2	1806	July 28	Sept. 13	do	H. 1	S. 1		
7	1	1807	Sept. 21	Dec. 4	Kingston, Knoxville.	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1		
	2	1809	Apr. 3	Apr. 22	Knoxville				
8	1	1809	Sept. 18	Nov. 23	do	S. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
9	1	1811	Sept. 16	Nov. 21	do	S. 1; H. 5	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1812	Sept. 7	Oct. 21	Nashville		S. 1; H. 1		
10	1	1813	Sept. 21	Nov. 20	do				
11	1	1815	Sept. 18	Nov. 17	do		S. 1; H. 1		
12	1	1817	Sept. 15	Nov. 25	Knoxville	S. 1	S. 1; H. 1	2 vols	
13	1	1819	Sept. 20	Nov. 30	Murfreesboro.		S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1820	June 26	July 31	do		S. 1; H. 1		
14	1	1821	Sept. 17	Nov. 17	do	S. 1; H. 2	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1822	July 22	Aug. 24	do		S. 1; H. a		
15	1	1823	Sept. 15	Nov. 29	do		S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1824	Sept. 20	Oct. 22	do	S. 1			
16	1	1825	Sept. 19	Dec. 7	do		S. 1a; H. 1		
	2	1826	Oct. 16	Dec. 11	Nashville	H. 2	S. 1; H. 1		
17	1	1827	Sept. 17	Dec. 15	do		S. 1a; H. a		
18	1	1829	Sept. 21	Jan. 14	do	S. 1; H. 1a	S. 1		
19	1	1831	Sept. 19	Dec. 21	do	S. (?)	S. 1		
	2	1832	Sept. 3	Oct. 22	do		S. 1*; H. 1*		
20	1	1833	Sept. 16	Dec. 2	do		S. 1; H. 1		
21	1	1835	Oct. 5	Feb. 22	do	S. 3; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1836	Oct. 3	Oct. 26	do	S. 2; H. 1	S. 1*; H. 1*		
22	1	1837	Oct. 2	Jan. 9	do	S. 1; H. 2	S. 1; H. 1		
23	1	1839	Oct. 7	Feb. 1	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
24	1	1841	Oct. 4	Feb. 7	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
	2	1842	Oct. 3	Nov. 16	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1*; H. 1*		
25	1	1843	Oct. 2	Jan. 31	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
26	1	1845	Oct. 6	Feb. 2	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
27	1	1847	Oct. 4	Feb. 7	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
28	1	1849	Oct. 1	Feb. 11	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
29	1	1851	Oct. 6	Mar 1	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
30	1	1853	Oct. 3	Mar. 6	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
31	1	1855	Oct. 1	Mar. 3	do	S. 1; H. 1	H. 1a		
32	1	1857	Oct. 5	Mar. 22	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1		
33	1	1859	Oct. 3	Mar. 26	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. 1; H. 1a		
	2	1861	Jan. 7	Feb. 4	do	S. 1; H. 1			
	3		Apr. 25	May 9	do				
			June 17	July 1	do				
34	1	1861	Oct. 7	Dec. 21	do				
		1862	Jan. 20	Feb. 15	do				
			Feb. 20	Mar. 20	Memphis				
		1865	Apr. 3	June 12	Nashville	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.		
		1865-6	Oct. 2	May 28	do	(?)	S. a; a	Copy	
		1866	July 4	July 25	do	S.	S.		
		1866-7	Nov. 5	Mar. 11	do	S. 1; H. 1	S. a; H.		
35		1867-8	Oct. 7	Mar. 16	do	S. (?)	S.; H.	2 vols	
		1868	July 27	Sept. 14	do	H. 1	S.; H.		
		1868-9	Nov. 9	Mar. 1	do	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.		
36	1	1869-70	Oct. 4	Mar. 7	do	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.	3 vols	
	2	1870	May 9	July 11	do	H. 1			
	3	1870-71	Dec. 5	Feb. 6	do	S. 1; H. 1			
37	1	1871	Oct. 2	Dec. 16	do	S. 1; H. 1	H.		
	1 ex	1872	Mar. 12	Apr. 1	do	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.		
38	1	1873	Jan. 6	Mar. 25	do	S. 2; H. 2	S.; H.		
39	1	1875	Jan. 4	Mar. 24	do	S. 2; H. 2	S.a; H.a		
40	1	1877	Jan. 1	Mar. 27	do	S. 2; H. 2	S.a; H.a		
	1 ex	1877	Dec. 5	Dec. 11	do	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.a		
	2 ex	1877	Dec. 11	Dec. 28	do				
41	1	1879	Jan. 6	Apr. 1	do	S. 2; H. 2	S.a; H.	(?)	
	1 ex	1879	Dec. 16	Dec. 24	do	H. 1	S.		
42	1	1881	Jan. 3	Apr. 7	do	S. 1; H. 2	S.a; H.a	(?)	
	1 ex	1881	Dec. 7	Dec. 26	do		S		
	2 ex	1882	Apr. 6	Apr. 27	do	S. 1; H. 1	S.; H.	(?)	
	3 ex	1882	Apr. 27	May 22	do				

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Tabular Statement of Sessions, Journals, and Acts—Continued.

No. of assembly.	No. of session.	Year of session.	Began.	Ended.	Location.	Manuscript journals in office of secretary of state.	Printed journals in State library.	Manuscript acts, secretary state's office.	Printed acts, State library.
43	1	1883	Jan. 1	Mar. 30	Nashville...	S. 3; H. 3...	S.; H(A) ...	2 vols...	
44	1	1885	Jan. 5	Apr. 9	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.a....	2 vols...	
	1 ex	1885	May 25	June 13	.....do.....	S. 1.....	S.; H.....		
45	1	1887	Jan. 3	Mar. 29	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.a....	3 vols...	
46	1	1889	Jan. 7	May 7	.....do.....	S. 3; H. 3...	S.a; H.a....	2 vols...	
	1 ex.	1890	Feb. 24	Mar. 15	.....do.....	S. 1; H. 1...	S.; H.....		
	2 ex	1890	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	.....do.....				
47	1	1891	Jan. 5	Mar. 30	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.a....	2 vols...	
	1 ex	1891	Aug. 31	Sept. 21	.....do.....	S. 1; H. 1...	S.; H.....	.....	
48	1	1893	Jan. 2	Apr. 10	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.....	2 vols...	
49	1	1895	Jan. 7	May 14	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.a....	2 vols...	
	1 ex	1895	May 27	June 17	.....do.....	S. 1; H. 1...			
	2 ex	1896	Sept. 7	Sept. 26	.....do.....	S. 1; H. 1...	S*; H*.....	(?)	
50	1	1897	Jan. 4	May 1	.....do.....	S. 2; H. 2...	S.a; H.a....	4 vols...	
	1 ex	1898	Jan. 17	Feb. 5	.....do.....	S. 1; H. 1...	S.*; H.*....	(?)	
51	1	1899	Jan. 2	Apr. 24	.....do.....	S. 3; H. 3...	S.a; H.(A).	8 vols...	
52	1	1901	Jan. 7	Apr. 25	.....do.....		S.; H.....	6 vols...	
53	1	1903	Jan. 5	Apr. 16	.....do.....		S.; H. (A)..		
54	1	1905	Jan. 2	Apr. 17	.....do.....		S.a; H.....		

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

In those columns of the foregoing table which deal with the journals "S" represents "Senate" and "H" represents "House." A blank line (____) denotes a missing volume. (*) shows that two volumes are bound together to make one. "a" indicates a separate appendix; "a1" indicates an appendix, not necessarily separate; "A" indicates house and senate appendixes in one volume. In the columns in which reference is to the session laws the missing volumes are marked by blank lines (____). Elsewhere it is to be assumed that the laws exist in one volume, unless more than one is indicated. Thus it will be seen that the collection of printed session laws in the State Library is complete back to 1806. For the years preceding 1806 one must depend on the collections of Roulstone and of Scott.

The first session of the seventh assembly met first at Kingston, then adjourned to Knoxville.

The journals of the three Constitutional Conventions in 1796, 1834, and 1870 are all to be found in printed form.

Records other than land records, office of secretary of state, the capitol, Nashville, in two cupboards or closets, mixed with the land records and several volumes of miscellaneous character. A list follows:

1. Bonds, clerks of county and circuit courts, date 1812–1827.
2. Pay warrants of governors to treasurers, date 1811–1818.
3. Document "C" (?), amount of notes discounted, $1,678,709.05, date 1838–1839. Evidently a bank statement. (State bank?)
4. Code of Tennessee, Meigs and Cooper, date 1858 (?), manuscript; bound.
5. Commissions, 1815–1827.
6. Account book, ledger (?).
7. Scrapbook. A few clippings on reconstruction.
8. Account book and index, incomplete.
9. Check book, hospital (?).
10. Official bond book, No. 2, date 1867–68.
11. Minutes of direct-tax commission (State board of equalization), W. S. Morgan, secretary, date, 1893.
12. List of soldiers discharged, 1866.
13. Proceedings of claims committee, senate of Tennessee, date 1901.

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14. Commissions, justices, and miscellaneous, date 1864–65.
15. Record book, labeled "Rebel," Army medical board.
16. Book of receipts, date, 1868.
17. Reports of comptroller, Edgefield and Kentucky Railroad, date 1869.
18. Letter book of John Sevier, date 1796–1804.
19. Cashbook, date 1869.
20. Commissions, 1807–1815.
21. Index to general accounts, no date.
22. Sheriffs' certificates of the vote by counties on the constitution of 1834, date 1835.
23. Accounts of cutting stone, etc., capitol building. Latter part of volume used in 1865 and 1887 for some one's account.
24. Journal of proceedings of medical board, Army of the Tennessee, date 1861. (Captured ?).
25. Index to "Corporation book."
26. Manuscript journal, convention of 1870.
27. General claim commission, Government accounts, four volumes.
28. Record of pardons, three volumes.
29. Record medical board, labeled "Rebel," volume 2. See 15 and 24, above.
30. Requisitions of the governors, date 1859–60.
31. County redistricting record.
32. Bonds, date 1824–1838.
33. Executive correspondence, date 1796–1807.
34. Alphabetical index (?).
35. Military records, date 1840–1845.
36. Commissions, military officers, date 1840.
37. Executive record, date 1832–1846.
38. Claim register, No. 2.
39. Register of commissions, civil officers, date 1840–1845.
40. Register of commissions, Governor Carroll, date 1832.
41. Executive record, civil officers, date183–, et seq.
42. Pardons, date (?).
43. Executive record, volumes 1 and 2, date 1856–1862.
44. Report of comptroller, original, date 1867.
45. Proclamations, date 1840–1850.

OFFICE RECORDS, SECRETARY OF STATE.

The volumes listed above, all of which are in manuscript form, are all contained in the cupboards or closets to which reference has been made. In addition, there are large presses or cases on the side walls, which are filled with the more recent volumes of the archives of the office. These deal with money matters, elections, commissions, etc., and especially with the charters and other documents relating to corporations.

The records now kept in the office of the secretary of state may be described as follows:

Register of charters of corporations: Mining and manufactures, several voulmes to J 9; banks, volumes 1 and 2; real estate, volumes Q, QQ, QA; general, volumes U, UU, UUU, U8.

Cashbook.

Day book since 1901.

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Pardon records and papers.

Commission books: General; justice of the peace; notary public; commissioner of deeds (all by administrations).

Reward register. Offers for apprehension of fugitives from justice: Requisition papers; extradition warrants.

Election returns, tabulated by years.

Record of trade-marks.

Record of mine foremen and mining laws since 1903.

Report of board of law examiners.

MAPS, SECRETARY OF STATE.

Besides various printed maps, there are said to be in the office of the secretary of state thirteen maps of surveyors' districts in Tennessee, covering the period 1806–1825.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES.

The present quarters of the keeper of the archives are located in the capitol, and consist of three rooms, an office, a large room with cases on the walls and in the center, and an attic loft, not completely floored. The rooms are lighted with electric light, and their contents are in no way protected against fire.

In the loft is kept a miscellaneous mass of material originally brought up from the basement, which the archivist has been gradually sorting out. The first move was to put in large boxes the papers which could be assigned to any one governor's administration, and then to label each box. From time to time additional papers have been acquired by the archivist, and these have been similarly treated. From this mass, arranged only thus roughly by date, the next step is to classify the separate papers each after its kind, and file them in the adjoining rooms.

At present the State archivist, Mr. R. T. Quarles, is able to give only a very general description of the archives in his possession. It seems best to make a broad classification under the following heads:

Manuscripts: Executive papers; legislative papers; judicial papers; financial papers; law papers; military papers; maps; reports of boundary commissions; miscellaneous.

Printed: Reports of State officers; miscellaneous.[a]

1. *Executive manuscripts.*—Correspondence of the governors, originals, 1796–1904. Incomplete. Arranged by administration and date. Very valuable.

Manuscript concerning pardons, extraditions, etc., 1810–1904, incomplete. Divided into pardons granted and pardons refused.

Records of officers' bonds, 1796–1906. Incomplete. Also many loose papers. These papers come from the secretary of state's office.

Internal improvement correspondence, 1827–1869; scattered.

Correspondence over educational matters, banking, etc.

[a] All notice of printed books other than the acts and journals is deferred to another occasion.

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Papers concerning the election of magistrates; unbound, 1808–1860. Election returns and other papers, 1810–1900, incomplete.

2. *Legislative papers.*—While the original papers of the various constitutional conventions, the manuscript acts, and the manuscript journals and appendixes are in the secretary of state's office, the bills and petitions which fail to pass are sent to the archives. Other than these there is little material later in date than 1860. Some impeachment papers are preserved. Prior to 1854 there are a number of legislative papers of many kinds. Under the first constitution certain standing committees did much of the work which is now left to permanent officials. Petitions were very numerous, for example, the petitions concerning slavery in 1827.

These papers are not yet so arranged as in any way to permit a calendar of them. On such subjects as banking, taxation, internal improvement, slavery, and abolition, etc., these originals fill in the meager outlines printed in the printed journals, and hence are of the greatest value. There is, however, no continuity to be found.

Of great interest are a number of petitions to the constitutional convention of 1834 in reference to slavery. There is also the original draft of the constitution before modification through amendment.

3. *Judicial papers.*—The most complete and extensive body of material in this office is composed of the records and papers of the supreme court of the State for middle Tennessee. The first State constitution, that of 1796, did not provide for a supreme court, but left the establishment of superior and inferior courts to the legislature. In 1809 the legislature substituted for the old superior courts of law and equity a supreme court of errors and appeals. The constitution of 1834 established the supreme court as an independent part of the State government.

Among the important volumes and sets of papers are the following: 1800–1865, about 12,000 (estimated) transcripts in equity and law. 1870–1904, 21,204 transcripts (many missing), law, equity, and criminal cases. 1830–1879, supreme court and chancery enrollments; all branches of appelate courts; 125 volumes. 1870–1905, dockets; about sixty volumes. No dockets for chancery court of appeals. 1897–1906, chancery court of appeals, transcripts; 514 in bundles. Execution papers issued by clerk of supreme court. 1818–1860, fairly consecutive but incomplete. Since 1860, kept in supreme court. 1830–1897, original opinions, supreme court, unbound. Many printed in printed reports.

4. *Financial papers.*—The archives are rich in papers to be included under this head. Unfortunately such great losses have been sustained that there are many serious gaps in all series of papers. These papers have not yet been calendared, and only a general description is possible, except in a few instances.

Prior to the establishment of the office of the comptroller, under the constitution of 1834, there were elected by the legislature treasurers for the divisions of the State; at first two, later three. The reports of these officers were returned to the legislature and were audited by a committee of that body. These reports, in brief form, were printed in the printed journals. The materials upon which these reports were based are, of course, very valuable. They are also very rare. They run brokenly from 1798 to 1836. There is also the report of the treasurer of East Tennessee for 1831, in one volume, and some of later date. Besides these reports, the tax returns for each county were presented through the members for that county. Many of these returns are extant.

There are also scattered but valuable papers, reports, and correspondence of the banks, which the legislature watched with some care. The same may

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be said of internal-improvement enterprises, especially railroads and turnpikes.

After the adoption of the constitution of 1834 the comptroller became the financial officer of chief importance. There are 31 volumes bound, covering 1836–1839, and some unbound, for various years to 1860. Since the war, such reports seem to remain in the office of the comptroller. Many later papers of this officer, however, are in the archives. There are 70 bound volumes from the comptroller relating to moneys of internal-inprovement and other funds, ledgers of various sorts for the period 1870–1903, also many volumes of warrants receivable from the comptroller and warrants payable from the treasurer. There are 60 volumes of ledgers of the treasury department, 1855–1898. There are several thousand original papers concerning the State debt, bonds, etc., forming another important body of materials. Those bonds of the "Torbett issue" which were not issued are in the keeping of the archivist; those which were issued are retired as fast as they can be got back. The original canceled bonds also are in the keeping of the archivist.

There are some papers of the treasurer as insurance commissioner, 1890–1905.

The records of the State board of equalization from 1893 to 1897 are in the office.

There are some papers relating to individual matters of finance; for example, the accounts, checks, etc., for the erection of the capitol building.

There are several tax books, dating from years before the civil war.

There is a very interesting record of correspondence concerning the school moneys and the Bank of Tennessee, between G. C. Torbett and Governor Brownlow.

There are several lots of papers, mostly of recent date, showing returns of county revenues by county officers.

There are many papers dealing with the financial aspect of railroads, telephone companies, etc.

5. *Land papers.*—The archivist has a large number of original warrants from North Carolina for military services, etc., submitted to the validating committee of 1807 and its successors for adjudication.

6. *Military papers.*—There are in the archives very many papers which refer to the military history of the State. In the earlier period, especially, these are of great interest. From 1880 on such papers are kept in the office of the adjutant-general. Back of that date they are in the archives. The archivist estimates that there are 8,000 to 10,000 such papers, consisting specially of reports from company, battalion, and regimental officers.

There are many military papers which relate to the soldiers furnished by Tennessee to the United States Government from the first levy of United States troops in Tennessee, in 1797, to the present; also reports of quartermasters, commissaries, and others.

There are various civil war papers, 1862–1865. Many oaths of office, pardons signed by the President, permits to bring goods into the State, 1862–1866, etc.

The records of the provisional army of Tennessee, prior to the time when the troops were turned over to the army of the Confederate States, include medical department, 1861–1863. The set is incomplete. There are some loose bundles of papers. This lot of papers is important as containing the vote of the Confederate soldiers for governor.

Confederate pension records. These records in manuscript cover the whole period since the passage of the act. There are from 10,000 to 15,000 papers, vouchers, etc.

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7. Boundary disputes have made a large lot of papers. There are also several maps.

8. *Miscellaneous papers.*—Common schools letter book, 1836–1838.

Ledgers money for support of public schools, sale of lands, 1831, 1836. Record book, 1858–1869; ledger, 1848–1869.

THE STATE LIBRARY.

The State library is situated in the capitol in Nashville, occupying in that building one very large chamber three stories high and two smaller rooms adjoining. The office of librarian was created in 1854. The present organization of this department was accomplished by the act of 1901, chapter 128, which constitutes the governor, the attorney-general and reporter, and the chief justice of the supreme court of the State a library commission, which elects the librarian for a term of four years. The legislative appropriation for the library proper is $1,500—$1,000 for the salary of the librarian and $500 for that of an assistant. Besides this, there is an appropriation of $500 for the support of the law library, which is located in one of the adjoining rooms and is in the care of the librarian.

The most important contents of the library, with respect to State archives, are the files of the printed journals of the assembly, a nearly complete set, and the files of the printed session laws, a very nearly complete set from 1807 on. A complete list of these volumes is given above in connection with the list of the manuscript journals and acts in the office of the secretary of state.

In the law library are the printed reports of the courts of Tennessee, the codes, and other law books of the State, besides similar publications of other States, received through purchase or exchange. The Tennessee reports are in most cases reprints, and few of the original reports are to be found in this library.

On the shelves of the principal chamber are many thousand volumes of works of reference, mostly of earlier date, periodicals in sets, newspapers of Tennessee and other States, and bound volumes of pamphlets and publications of the United States Government. Much of this material is of great value. Among the pamphlets are messages of the governors, reports of various State bureaus, banks, etc. These are to a large degree unclassified, nor are anything like complete sets preserved. This is due, in large part, to the irregularity with which such reports have been published and to too great latitude in the past in the matter of loaning books and pamphlets from the library to careless borrowers. The present librarian is endeavoring to extend the system of cataloguing, to fill all gaps that can be filled, and to guard against loss in the future.

The last report printed is that for 1903–4, published in 1905.

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER.

In the comptroller's office at present are kept only current and recent papers of the department, which rapidly fill up the available space. Older records are sent to the archivist.

The most important current books are as follows:

General ledger, one volume a year; balanced monthly, three volumes.
Revenue ledger, six volumes.
Corporation ledger, two volumes.
Cashbook, two volumes.
Payable warrants and appropriation ledger.
Receivable warrants.
Inheritance tax ledger, three volumes.
Bills of costs ledger, one volume.
Coal and oil ledger, one volume.
Tax aggregate papers in files.
Pensioners' and invalid roll.

The materials used to make up copy for printed biennial reports are destroyed after printing.

OFFICE OF THE TREASURER AND COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE.

The following books are kept by the insurance department of this State:

1. License book of insurance companies.
2. License book of insurance agents.
3. Register (alphabetical) of insurance agents.
4. Register of insurance companies (containing list of agents representing each company).
5. Chronological register (giving names of all companies licensed for each year since 1893).
6. Receipt book (of all money received, except privilege of tax insurance agents).
7. Receipt book of insurance agents' privilege tax.
8. Cashbook containing total receipts and disbursements.
9. Register of fire-insurance brokers.
10. Record of lawsuits, where service of process has been acknowledged.
11. Record of examinations.
12. List of securities deposited.

The records kept in the treasury department are as follows:

1. Cashbook.
2. General ledger.
3. Bank ledger.
4. Corporation ledger.

Annual reports are issued of the insurance department and biennial reports of the treasury department. Files of these reports are kept in this office.

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OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT.

The supreme court of Tennessee sits in each of the three divisions of the State, at Knoxville, Jackson, and Nashville. There are three clerks, each with a staff of assistants. The office in the capitol at Nashville has to do solely with the records for middle Tennessee. Of these much of the older part has been turned over to the department of archives, where they are well arranged and easy of consultation.

TENNESSEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, WATKINS INSTITUTE BUILDING, NASHVILLE.

Although it has not been made in any sense an official or legal depositary of the archives of the State, the Tennessee Historical Society has been so long connected with the preservation of historical materials in general and with the development of interest in the history of the State that a brief sketch of its somewhat checkered life seems to be here in order.

As early as 1820 there was organized in East Tennessee an association known as the Tennessee Antiquarian Society. This was due especially to the efforts of Judge Haywood, the first of the historians of the State, and seems to have been conceived, in part, as an auxiliary means to the collection of the materials for that work. After a year or two of activity, the records of which are preserved in the society's minutes now in the possession of the Tennessee Historical Society, this antiquarian society seems to have been allowed to lapse. The next organization, promoted through the zeal of Col. F. A. Ramsey, seems likewise to have been short-lived, but laid a foundation for the East Tennessee Historical Society of later times.

The present Tennessee Historical Society (to quote from a publication of that body) "was originally organized as a voluntary association in 1849 and was active in prosecuting the ordinary duties of a State historical society until 1861." The late Judge Lea refers, however, to a period of five years, between 1851 and 1856, when there was a lapse in interest, and to a reorganization of the society in 1857. After the war, in 1874, another reorganization was effected. The officers were: President, J. G. Ramsey, of Knoxville; vice-president, John M. Lea, and secretary, Anson Nelson. In May, 1875, application was made under the general incorporation law of March 23, 1875, for a charter, which was secured in the same year.

From 1857 to 1886 the society's collections were housed in the State library, by virtue of a resolution of the general assembly. With the increase of the library, however, and with the growth of the historical materials owned by the society, these accommodations

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became so crowded that the society accepted the invitation of the trustees of the Watkins Institute, and removed its collection to the Watkins Institute Building.

In the course of time these quarters in turn have proved insufficient, and the absence of fireproof protection has become a matter of great concern. These facts, and the very limited income of the society, have led it to appeal to the State for financial assistance. This appeal has been combined with an effort to secure the erection of a State department of archives and history. In 1905 these matters were brought before the fifty-fourth general assembly of Tennessee, with the holding of public meetings, the submission of memorials to the legislature, and the introduction of a bill. These proceedings failed, however, to accomplish the intended result. All that was done was to continue by legislative appropriation the office of the secretary of the department of archives,[a] and the matter of assistance to the historical society and of its connection with the State went over to the next assembly. At the present writing further efforts are being made toward the desired end.

Of the historical collections of the society, which include relics, newspapers, and valuable pamphlets, as well as a large number of manuscripts, that part which may strictly be called archive material is very limited in amount. Reference may be made to documents of the Cumberland agreement and the town of Nashville, to the early records of Washington County, to the executive journal of the territory south of the river Ohio, to various papers bearing on Indian treaties and on boundary disputes, etc. There are also many official or semiofficial letters of various State governors, e. g., the correspondence of Governor McMinn.

In the American Historical Magazine, Volume VI, No. 4, for October, 1901, is contained the charter of the society, with the by-laws, and an important and full, though not exhaustive, list of the society's manuscripts. From time to time, in the files of the same journal, many of the most important of these documents have been reprinted. Unfortunately, there have been sometimes omissions or alterations.

It may be added that very recently the most valuable manuscripts have been removed from the society's rooms and deposited in a fireproof safe. Thus they are protected from destruction, but at the cost of inaccessibility to the student.

LAND RECORDS.

Because of the large number of volumes of records that have to do with land, and still more because of the great importance in the State's history of the question of public lands, it has seemed advisable

[a] Acts of Tennessee, 1905, p. 1090.

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to make a separate heading for this subject. There are recognized at present, over and above the offices of the county registers, six State land offices in Tennessee, though all of them are now more or less defunct. The land office of East Tennessee is in the court-house at Knoxville, that of West Tennessee is in the court-house at Jackson, and that for Middle Tennessee is in the State capitol at Nashville. In the same building, as indicated above, there are in the office of the secretary of state such a large number of land papers as to need separate description, and some land papers are in the possession of the secretary of the department of archives. These do not constitute, however, a separate land office. Besides the three already mentioned, there are the land offices of the Ocoee district at Cleveland, that of the Hiwassee district at Athens, and that of the Mountain district at Sparta. All except the last have been examined by the compiler of this report.

LAND RECORDS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, NASHVILLE.

In two cupboards or closets in the office of the secretary of state in the capitol in Nashville are many land records. This is to be explained not only by the fact that the secretary of state, under the law, was responsible for all the State archives, but also by the circumstance that that officer was given direct duties in connection with the administration of the land system.

1. West Tennessee Commissioners, 1819. List of claims filed, Nos. 2365–3835; marked "valid." Sometimes entry, grant, or plat filed.

2. Duplicate warrants, East Tennessee, 1812-1818. Duplicates of warrants of John Carter, Washington, and Sullivan counties, North Carolina, certified by Luke Lea, commissioner for East Tennessee. Also grants of State of Tennessee issued by commissioners of East Tennessee, Shipley, and others.

3. January 17, 1820, to September 14, 1822. Proceedings of commissioners for adjudicating land claims under act of November 23, 1819. Closes with adjudicated grants of the University of North Carolina.

3*a*. List of all the duplicate warrants received from the clerk of the late board of commissioners of West Tennessee. Paper binding. Begins No. 9, 1808. Contains duplicate military warrants received from Randal McGavock, clerk to the late board of commissioners (signed) Robert Searcy, February 23, 1808; John Armstrong, warrants; William Maclin, secretary of state; commissioners, preemption, and guard rights; Evans battalion.

4. Certificates from interfering grants and grants the locality of which can not be identified. Issued by the board of commissioners for West Tennessee in the year 1807, Nos. 1-165.

5. Certificates recorded, West Tennessee commissioners, signed A. Foster, May, 1809, to August, 1818, "non-ident.," [a] Nos. 244–1260; May, 1809, to July, 1813, interferences, Nos. 251–667.

6. West Tennessee board, 1819-1821, interferences, Nos. 1776-2239

7. West Tennessee board, 1819-1821, interferences, Nos. 2240-2774. After No. 2511 note says: "Here the board of commissioners closed in October, 1822, and on the next page the secretary of the state, as commissioner of West Ten-

[a] This term is frequently used and means "cannot be identified."

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nessee, commenced on the 29th day of November, 1823, under the act of November 21, 1823." The new warrants after this are located south and west of the Congressional reservation line. In the back of this volume is the attested statement that entries of locations 4840 to 5569 are true and perfect copies of entries of land, numbers contained in the original books in the office of Martin Armstrong, surveyor of the lands, granted to the officers and soldiers of the Continental Line of North Carolina, kept in the town of Nashville, county of Davidson and State of Tennessee (except marginal notes), 1799.

8. Certificates of interference, Nos. 3577-3993. Many gaps after 3686. Date, 1836-1838, Luke Lea, secretary and commissioner. All south and west of Congressional reservation line.

9. Certificates of interference Nos. 672-1318. Date, 1813-1818.

10. Certificates of interference Nos. 1322–1775. Date, 1819. West Tennessee board.

11. Record of invalid warrants issued by William Maclin, continued from Book 1; judged invalid, 1809-10.

12. William Maclin warrants, 1802–3; judged valid or partly invalid. Countersigned Archibald Roane, president board of commissioners for East Tennessee, 1809–10.

13. A list of warrants copied from John Armstrong's entry book since the 1st of January, 1800. A correct abstract from warrant book, July 14, 1820. William Hill, secretary (North Carolina). Also contains a list of warrants issued since the 14th day of July, 1820, for military services. Altogether 635 in number.

14. Entries of lands granted by North Carolina south of the Ohio:

(*a*) Bounds of Sullivan County, 1779.

(*b*) Report of quantity of acres of land entered in the entry taker's office kept in Sullivan County, North Carolina, by Gilbert Christian, late entry taker in said county. (No. 1, 1780, February 8, to Nathan Bead, 640 acres.) Last number, 840, 1784, April 8.

(*c*) (Same.) "Formerly State of North Carolina, and at present of the Territory of the United States south of the river Ohio, by John Carter and Landon Carter, late entry takers in said county, 1791; 3,005 in all, comprising 746,362½ acres.

(*d*) Bounds of Washington County.

(*e*) Observations. These entries, under act of 1777, for establishing county offices; act of 1758 (1778), amending same. By section 5 many of preceding entries void, but (this fact) disregarded by public officers, and grants issued notwithstanding. These are the entries provided against in the second condition of the act of cession, July 27, 1791.

(*f*) On last leaf, certificate of S. S. Hamilton, July 2, 1805, transcribed a book containing an account of the quantity of land formerly in the State of North Carolina, but now in the State of Tennessee. A correct copy of the original now in the office of the Secretary of State of the United States.

15. No title. On outside, non-ident. Contains several hundred certificates, Nos. 1215–2376 (many gaps). Seem to date from 1817; referred to act of October 13, 1817. A. Foster, commissioner. Beginning at other end of book, non-ident, and disclaimer certificates. Date, 1818, and following years. A. Foster, then D. Graham, secretary and commissioner.

16. Warrants issued to surveyors for sectioning their several districts. Includes accounts of those of the fourth, fifth, and sixth districts and the district south of French Broad and Holston, 1807–1809.

17. West Tennessee commissioners, 1819–20. List of claims filed, Nos. 1–2364. (See No. 1 of this list, which should follow this.)

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18. Date, 1842. John S. Young. Grants based on warrants of North Carolina. Compare resolution of North Carolina assembly of 1832.

19. West Tennessee commissioners, 1819. List of claims, marked "Inexplicable." Subject to a tax for adjudication.

20. East Tennessee commissioners, 1807–1818. Deficiency warrants (where former grant insufficient), Nos. 1–146. William C. Mynatt, commissioner.

21. Large volume marked "A," Military entries, Davidson County. Columns arranged as follows: Names, description, number of warrant, number of location, number of acres. Attest of Martin Armstrong that this is a true copy of Book A. Grants to officers and soldiers of the Continental Line. Date of attest, July, 1799. On last page, "Military land warrants brought from Raleigh by William Christmas,"

22. Certificate warrants, issued February 1823–1843; files No. 1–1535. Columns arranged as follows: File, date of file, original number, original date, original number of acres, to whom granted, to whom assigned, by whom filed when adjudged, number of acres, to whom delivered. On fly leaf is the following: South and west of the Congressional reservation line, 3,362,413 acres; granted by North Carlina, 942,375 acres; adjudicated and readjudicated, 1820–1828, 2,250,413 acres; adjudicated February, 1828, to August 28, 1829, 17,388 acres. This volume is indexed. It contains also several grants—Nos. 2789–3984 (broken in many places), down to 1843. Reference is made to acts of December 13, 1827, December 20, 1831, February 19, 1836, and the signatures are those of various secretaries of state as commissioners.

23. 1807–1818. Grants Nos. 1–64, commissioners of East Tennessee for land south of French Broad and Holston, based on North Carolina grants. Landon C. Carter and John Armstrong, North Carolina, 1783.

24. West Tennessee board of commissioners. List claims filed, Nos. 3834–5092—November, 1821, to March, 1822. (See 17 and others of this list.)

25. Non-ident., and deficiency warrants Nos. 25–135 (n. i.) and 25–135 (d). East Tennessee commissioners, 1810–1818.

26. Maclin warrants, docket, invalid, October 21, 1808.

27. Record of occupant certificates issued for university, and college warrants under the act of 1825, Nos. 1–3670. D. Graham, secretary and commissioner, West Tennessee, certificate to assignee of western district for 25 acres south and west of the Congressional reservation line, March 8, 1826.

28. Index to East Tennessee record of claims.

29. Record of preemptions, guard rights, Evans battalion, etc., passed by board of commissioners of West Tennessee, 1807–1816.

30. Entry taker's book, Jackson County, original, 1802–3.

31. Commissioners' office, 1812–1817. Minutes and adjudication of claims, etc.

32. West Tennessee commissioners, 1819. List claims filed, Nos. 5093–8417. (See 24, 17, and others of this list.)

33. William Maclin, warrants; valid. Commissioners East Tennessee, 1807–1815. (See 26 and others above.)

34. West Tennessee board. List claims filed, numbers mixed. (See 17 and others above.)

35. Record of military warrants, by Robert Searcy, secretary of state of North Carolina, to Martin Armstrong and William Christmas, 1796–1818.

36. Record of transfers, assignments, etc., on warrants passed by the first board of commissioners in West Tennessee, December, 1807.

37. 1807. Bazel Boren (?), register of Robertson County, 118 copies of grants; all that are registered in my office to this day. North Carolina.

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38. Military warrants adjudged valid by the board of commissioners for West Tennessee in the year 1807. Directed to North Carolina surveyor. Lands to be laid off within military reservation. No. 1 is for Robert Carmichael.

39. Invalid warrants issued by William Maclin, secretary of state. Copy. (See 33, 26, and others above.)

40. West Tennessee commissioners, 1821. List of warrants adjudged valid and drawn for location, Nos. 1–1537.

41. Alphabetical list of lands and locations. Refers to pages in Books A–E, 1–5 (?). Gives number of acres, number of warrant, and situation.

42. East Tennessee, county office grants, 1823–1838.

43. West Tennessee, county office grants, date (?).

44. West Tennessee board of commissioners, 1819. List of claims, inexplicable, not subject to adjudication tax. (See 19 above.)

45. Western district grants, Nos. 1–4899. Date, 1826–1841.

46. West Tennessee grants, "A." Date, 1807–1810.

47. Index of claims filed for adjudication. Date, 1820.

48. West Tennessee list of claims, Nos. 1–1537. Date, 1822.

49. Middle Tennessee, county office grants, Nos. 1–11050. Date, 1824–1831.

50. Grant book. Date, 1814–1821. Nos. 5–18000, West Tennessee.

51. Grants, East Tennessee. Nos. 22190–30866. Date, 1838–1867.

52. Grants (no reference to East or West Tennessee), Nos. 1–4399. Date, 1826–1849.

53. Grants, mountain district, Nos. 1–6709. Date, 1827–1839.

54. Grants, Oconee (*sic*) district, Nos. 1–9081. Date, 1838–1900.

55. Alphabetical list of certificates issued since 1820. West Tennessee board, 1819.

56. Certificate warrants, deficiency, interference, non-resident, etc. Concern Salt Lick reservation. (See resolution of assembly, 1840.)

57. Index to East Tennessee grants. Date (?).

58. Account book, grants issued, Nos. 12074–22279. Date, 1834–1855. East or West not stated.

59. Grants south and west of the Congressional reservation line, non-ident. Jno. S. Young, secretary of state and commissioner. Date, 1842–1844. Nos. 3729–3994.

60. Commencement of the transaction of the business in the office of East Tennessee by Miller Francis. Record of proceedings and collection of money arising from lands in "Highwassee" district. Date, 1827–1831.

LAND RECORDS IN DESK CUPBOARDS—ROOM MARKED "ARCHIVES," OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

1. Middle Tennessee grants, vol. 2. Grants Nos. 18801–27116. Date, 1848–1905.

2. Mountain district. Nos. 6710–13567. Date, 1839–1903.

3. Hiwassee grants, vol. 1. Grants Nos. 4400–5136. Date, 1849–1902.

4. Western district grants, vol. 2. Grants Nos. 11100–17359. Date, 1850–1903.

5. East Tennessee district. Grants Nos. 30868–42579. Date, 1867–1903.

LAND OFFICE, MIDDLE TENNESSEE, NASHVILLE.

The records of the register of Middle Tennessee are in a small room adjoining the hall of the house of representatives, in the State capitol, at Nashville. Here are perhaps 200 bound volumes, in open

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bookshelves, while in files are very many original grants. No attempt is made to describe or classify the latter.

The bound volumes are as follows:

Occupant entries for 1819, Marion and Franklin counties, one volume. Reference to act of October 23, 1819.

West Tennessee board of commissioners. Not subject to adjudication. Volume 1 gives number of claim, number of acres, by whom issued, to whom issued, to whom assigned, to whom and when delivered. All of date 1820.

Third district. Entry book and locations, Nos. 1–958. Date, 1807–1809. Latter part refers to Franklin, White, Overton, Jackson, Warren, Bledsoe—all counties set off in 1806–7. This volume is especially interesting as containing on its first pages a record of the survey of eight parcels of land of 640 acres each for schools. Index.

Tied up in paper. First district. Entry book B. Locations 1841—4163. Date, 1808–9. Copied, 1902–3.

Third district. Survey book B, 1814–1822. Plats of locations.

East Tennessee commissioners, 1812–1818. Duplicate of John Carter's warrants, Washington and Sullivan counties.

The volume contains (*a*) a list of lands in the district south of French Broad and Holston, returned to the register's office. Gives alphabetically list of names of 1,724 persons, with number of acres and fractions, states species of lands, occupant, college, academy, and county. Land is in small parcels; largest noticed, 637 acres.

(*b*) List of lands in the Highwasse (*sic*) district that fell back to the State for nonpayment, under act of November 15, 1819. Contains financial statement.

Volume torn. Lettered on back, "North Carolina Military Warrants." Begins 189, ends 5312. Toward end of the volume a separate matter: Military warrants issued by Mr. Secretary White, Nos. 1–90. Date, 1799–1804. Also a statement of the men who served as officers and soldiers in Evans's battalion under an act of the assembly of North Carolina passed in the year 1786, entitled "An act for raising troops for the protection of the inhabitants of Davidson County," taken from the pay rolls (there being no muster rolls) deposited in the office of the comptroller of North Carolina, together with an account of the names of grantees of land upon warrants issued to the said officers and soldiers.

First district, survey book A. Rebound, Nos. 1–626. Dates, 1807–1810. Plats, certificates of survey, dates when filed and when taken out of office.

Modern copy (A. A. Lyon, 1903), lettered, first district entry book—locations, Nos. 1841–4161. Dates, 1808–1809.

Modern copy, record of grants, Tennessee, book A. Dates, 1807–1809. Grants signed by John Sevier; some on John Armstrong warrants.

Series. Record of grants, Tennessee. Volumes lettered, and paper labels give dates. A is original of that immediately preceding. Series extends from A to FF. N and O rebound, P missing, Z dated 1824–1828. AA begins with some grants of 1825. FF goes to 1846.

First district surveys. Book C. Date, 1809. Rebound.

Second district surveys. Book C. Date, 1808–9. With plats.

First district surveys. Book C. Date, 1814. With plats. Rebound.

Second district surveys. Book E. Date, 1811–1813. Rebound.

Third district entry book F. Date, 1818–1823. Index.

Record of grants. Books N and O blank.

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Series. North Carolina grants. Eight volumes, labeled No. 1, Book A; No. 2, Book B, etc., to No. 8, Book H. Contain certificate of William White, secretary of state of North Carolina, dated 1811. Contain altogether 4,639 grants, based on military warrants, guard right warrants, preemption warrants, Evans battallion warrants, and service right warants.

Book C, No. 3 of above, rebound.

Series. North Carolina grants. Three volumes, lettered A, B, and C. Contain certificate of William Hill, secretary of State of North Carolina, dated 1818, stating these to be correct transcripts of grants founded on John Armstrong warrants (where not otherwise expressly stated) for lands within the middle district, etc. Some grants are included, based on warrants from Landon Carter's office, Washington County. Large amounts of land appear in the name of John Sevier and Stockley Donelson.

Index, by letters, to Books A, B, and C; A No. 1, B No. 2, to H. No. 8.

Index, alphabetical, to military warrants. Recent.

North Carolina, one volume, marked in pencil, "John Armstrong entries," 1–2662. Index, earliest entry, 1783. Contains certificate of John Overton that the volume was copied in pursuance of the act of 1804, concerning an agent from this State to the State of North Carolina.

North Carolina, one volume. Orders from J. Glasgow, secretary of state of North Carolina, to Martin Armstrong, to lay off —— acres of land within the limits of lands reserved by law for officers and soldiers of the Continental line. Goes to 1806.

Warrants invalidated, 1806–7. Journal of the proceedings of the boards of commissioners of East and West Tennessee. Important as illustrating the administration of the land laws.

North Carolina grants, Sullivan County. Date, 1780–1793. Index. On inside, statement of register of Sullivan County, dated 1807, that this is a transcript of 618 original grants, all in his county to date.

Series. Record of grants, twenty volumes, beginning with No. 2 (No. 1 missing). No. 2 begins with grant No. 770. Date, 1825. Grants in pursuance of act of November 22, 1823, county offices, 12½ cents an acre. Volume 21 goes to No. 18672. Date, 1849, refers to act of 1830; then ceases to refer to 12½-cent purchase and refers to entry. Contains survey notes for Lewis County.

Series. Occupant grants, eleven volumes. Begins with No. 27138, in volume 1; goes to 29441, in volume 3. In same volume 3, begins with No. 18673 and goes to No. 26173, in volume 11. Dates, 1842 (act of that year) to 1881.

Land-grant records, later grants, Nos. 26174–26885. Dates, 1881–1896.

Land-grant records, 2. Comes down to 27116. Date, 1905. Many numbers, but not filled in. All these volumes refer to land bought or entered in the counties, at a small or at no price, after the good lands were all taken up. The proceeds went to make up part of an early school fund.

Index, three volumes to the series above. Separates school lands.

Third district survey and plats. Date, 1807–1814. Rebound.

Second district entries, Nos. 409–805. Date, 1807–1809. Rebound.

North Carolina grants, Sumner County, 512 grants. Date, 1786–1807. One volume. K. refers to act of 1809 as to division of warrants.

In cases along the opposite wall are between 75 and 100 volumes, without any arrangement, and some in bad repair. About thirty of these are district survey books and entry books of the first, second, and third districts. Besides these there are some individual volumes which seem to belong to some of the series outlined above and to be misplaced. There are a few county grant books of North Carolina. There are several indexes. Also one volume North Carolina

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entries under Martin Armstrong; one volume West Tennessee grants, 1823–1848; one volume Knox County grants, 1779–1807; one or two volumes North Carolina grants, £10 per 100 acres, 1793–94.

Many other volumes are without titles, and are not easily identified or described.

The land office now transacts no continuous business.

LAND OFFICE, EAST TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE.

The records of the register of East Tennessee are in an office in the court-house in Knoxville.

1. Thirty-four volumes, labeled "Record Book, East Tennessee Land Office." All transcripts. Begin with No. 1, dated June 3, 1807, from board of commissioners of East Tennessee to Luke Lea, jr., in consequence of grant No. 161, December 17, 1794. Four volumes indexed by counties.

2. Two volumes of 1808, 1809, and 1810, which seem to be originals or older transcripts of series 1 (above).

3. Nine volumes, labeled "North Carolina Land Grants," all transcripts made, apparently, about 1874.

4. One volume, labeled "Transcripts North Carolina Records."

5. One volume, labeled "James K. Polk's Administration."

6. Six volumes indexes to ——?

7. Three volumes, labeled "Record Book of Certificates for Land Sold in the Highwassee (sic) District." One volume index. One volume Hiwassee matters.

Three bins of files, plats, certificates on entries, etc. Originals.

LAND OFFICE, WEST TENNESSEE, JACKSON.

The records of the register of West Tennessee are at present in the office of the register of Madison County, at Jackson. When examined by the writer they were piled upon the floor in one corner of the room. They consist of 33 volumes, as follows:

1. "Occupant Grants," volumes 1 to 20, inclusive, except volumes 4, 11, 15, and 16, which are missing. Volumes 6 and 13 are badly broken, and leaves are gone from other volumes. Special reference is made to acts of January 11, 1842, November 17, 1845, and November 11, 1847.

2. One volume, 1867–1870 (apparently continuing 1). Covers grants 16089–16326. One volume, 1870–1873. Grants, 16327–16580.

3. One volume, numbered 9, contains miscellaneous copies 9732–10346, 16743–17089 (September 23, 1895, refers to entry of September 13, 1895).

4. Eight volumes, labeled "Record Grants." Vol. 1, grants, 1–920. No. 1 dated 1826, January 14. Vol. 2, grants 925–1822; vol. 3, 1826–2734; vol. 4, 2734–3631; vol. 5, 3632–4627; vol. 6, 4628–5588 (original badly broken); vol. 7, 5590–5900 (cut and broken; date, 1856; vol. 8, copy of 6.

5. Five volumes indices.

6. Several grants of recent years, since 1895, on loose sheets, unbound.

7. Two volumes which seem to have no connection with the office.

There is in this office no trace of the original grants, nor do there seem to be any plat books.

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West Tennessee, at first called the Western district, consists chiefly of that part of the State which lies between the Tennessee in its northern course, and the Mississippi River. It was opened by the great Chickasaw cession of 1818, and was the subject of dispute between the United States, North Carolina, and Tennessee.

LAND OFFICE, HIWASSEE DISTRICT, ATHENS.

The office of the land register of the Hiwassee district has been for a long time located at Athens, the county seat of McMinn County. The history of the district is important, as the lands, which were opened in 1820, through Calhoun's treaty of the preceding year, were sold by the State for a relatively large amount and because these receipts were invested, at first, in the State Bank of 1820, and later in the school fund of the State.

As will be noticed elsewhere in this report, there are volumes relating to the Hiwassee (or Highwassee, as the name appears in older documents) lands in other land offices of the State. This is due, in part, to the financial interest connected with the district. A considerable number of more or less extensive reports, etc., are also to be found printed in the journals of the assembly and public documents. This is very fortunate, for the condition of the original papers is worse than that of any other land records examined. The writer was able to find, in fact, only three bound volumes, all more or less moldy, in the vault of the register of McMinn County. These three volumes are lettered A, B, and C, are all indexed, and are all copies; the third and part of the second are typewritten, and in the third is a statement that that volume was copied in 1898. The volumes are called "Deed books," and contain entries, purchase certificates, with assignments, etc., on which grants were to issue. No plats were found, but it was said that some existed in private hands. The writer was informed that many of the records were destroyed in a fire, but at what date was not learned. Many of the original grants remain in private hands. A climb to a room in the top of the court-house revealed a number of bundles of original papers, marked "copied," lying on the floor in a confused mass of old tax books, dockets, road books, tax list originals, and other more valuable books and papers of the county. The room is kept locked, but is entirely neglected and used as a dumping place for anything that is in the way.

These volumes, however incomplete, are valuable as throwing light on the working of the land-sale system. Their discrepancies are doubtless followed out, in part, by the books relating to the Hiwassee lands in the other offices.

Some light is thrown on the condition of these records by the act of 1897, chapter 33, which recites that the books of the Hiwassee

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district land office were destroyed during the war, that they can be largely supplied through the original entries, grants, certificates of purchase and survey now in said office in the form of loose papers, which were originally recorded in said destroyed books. By an act of 1891, $500 was appropriated toward supplying and transcribing these records, but the same having been exhausted and said records not completed, an appropriation is made of 5 cents per 100 words to the register for this copying, the total expenditure not to exceed $600.

LAND OFFICE, OCOOE DISTRICT, CLEVELAND.

The records of the register of the Ocooe district are at present in the office of the register of Bradley County, at Cleveland. When examined by the writer they were locked in a wooden desk or cupboard in the register's vault, and were in a fair state of preservation. They consist of two plat books (one original, one copy) and about thirty volumes, as follows:

1. Large series, originals. Nine volumes. A and B copied in Book A (2). (See below.) C copied in Books A (2) and B (2). D, E, G (F?), and G copied in Book D (2). N copied in Book C (2). I copied in Book D (2).
2. Entries, copies, bound in red backs, four volumes. Copied by I. J. T. Knox, entry taker and land register, according to act of 1897, chapter 70, November 17, 1897. Lettered A, B, C, and D.
3. Entries, small series, four volumes, lettered A, B, C, and D. The entries are arranged numerically, beginning in vol. 1 with No. 4343. These volumes cover the years 1841–1872.
4. Grants, nine volumes, lettered B, D, E, F, H, I, J, K, and L (C and G missing).
5. One volume, record of grants, seems to continue above to 1899. The last grant recorded is No. 9081.
6. One broken volume (copy), Nos. 7149–9438.
7. One index to plat book; one index to grants; one index to entries.

The Ocooe lands were not sold by the State until the treaty of removal, in 1835, extinguished the title of the Cherokees. They lay in the extreme southeastern part of the State, a northern segment of the extensive territory from which the Indians were ousted after the long struggle with the State of Georgia.

LAND OFFICE, MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, SPARTA.

The records of the mountain district are at Sparta, in White County. The compiler was unable to examine them in person, and is indebted for the following account of them to the kindness of Hon. W. T. Smith, of Sparta:

The records of the land office for the mountain district of Tennessee are 36 volumes of grant records, running from A to Z, inclusive, excepting Q; then by numbers from 1 to 11, inclusive. There are also two other index volumes. Two volumes, A and Y, were destroyed during the war, but have since been supplied, in so far as possible, by a special act of the legislature.

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There are old entries on file which date as early as 1828. These are unbound. The entry books, which are in bound volumes, are not in the land office, but in the office of the county register.

The grant records, which are in bound volumes, date back as early as 1811. The latest year covered by these records is that of 1903.

RECORDS OF THE SUPREME COURT.

The office of the clerk of the supreme court in West Tennessee is in the court-house of Madison County, at Jackson.

From 1871, when the present constitution was adopted, to the present time the records of the supreme court are said to be complete. Those papers and volumes which relate to years prior to this time are in a confused condition, owing to careless handling in the transfer from Brownsville, where the court formerly sat. Some of these earlier papers are found in the loft of the court-house.

Original transcripts from the inferior courts are kept in pigeonholes to the number of 18,355. The principal series of bound volumes are as follows:

1. Rule Docket, by years.
2. Trial Docket, by years.
3. Minute Book, forty-one volumes.
4. Execution Docket, thirty-four volumes.
5. Ended Docket, "third edition."

The office of the clerk of the supreme court for Middle Tennessee is at Nashville. Only the records of recent years are kept in this office, the older documents having been turned over to the department of archives.

The chief contents of the office are as follows:

1. Minute books, covering both law and equity cases, volumes 1–26.
2. Execution Docket, covering both law and equity cases, volumes 1–50.
3. Transcripts of cases from lower courts, Nos. 21304 to 23539.
4. Court of chancery appeals (by a recent act reconstituted and called court of civil appeals) minute book, volumes 1–5.
5. Execution Docket, volumes 1–?

The office of the clerk of the supreme court for East Tennessee is at Knoxville.

The records, which are preserved in the clerk's office in the court-house of Knox County, seem to be in very good condition and the bound volumes to be complete from the organization of the supreme court, in 1810. They are not well arranged, however, as no chronological order is followed in the case of the older volumes.

1. Minute books, covering both law and equity cases, apparently complete from 1810. The first volume, that for 1810, is in excellent condition. The volumes are not lettered, but are dated by years. Each volume now includes two terms of court.
2. Execution Docket. One volume now for each year. Series apparently complete.

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3. Transcript of appeals from lower courts. In bundles. Supposed to be complete.

4. Court of chancery appeals (by a recent act reconstituted and called court of civil appeals) minute books, by years, complete from organization of the court, in 1895.

5. Same. Execution Docket. Same.

6. Enrollments. Supreme court opinions selected for publication. Presumably complete. All others are filed loose and are presumably in the basement.

COUNTY ARCHIVES.

Out of the ninety-six counties in the State of Tennessee only a few have been visited in connection with the present report. There is every need for a thorough investigation of all the county court-houses, and the preparation of a complete system of returns.

The writer has visited in person the court-houses in the following counties:

Knox, Bradley, and McMinn, in East Tennessee.

Davidson, Lincoln, and Franklin, in Middle Tennessee.

Shelby and Madison, in West Tennessee.

He has also examined the early records of Washington County, which are in Nashville, in the Tennessee Historical Society.

He has obtained information by correspondence as to other counties, especially as to Maury County.

The counties named include populous counties like Davidson and Shelby, in which are situated the cities of Nashville and Memphis, and less thickly settled agricultural counties like McMinn and Lincoln, so that those named may be considered as fairly representative of all except the remote mountain districts.

While in some cases neglect and confusion are found, in general the present condition of the county records is fairly good. There are evidences, of course, of past neglect, and here, as in other States, the losses from fire have been very extensive. Especially severe in some counties were the effects of the war, when each part of the State was invaded by hostile armies. All things considered, it is fortunate that so much remains.

In all the newer court-houses there are found stone vaults with steel doors. Even in these cases, however, there are evidences of overcrowding, and the older volumes of records are forced out of the safes to make room for books of more material consequence for current use. In fact, overcrowding seems to be the chief danger of the present. In some cases the county officers are made depositaries for records which are not their own, as, for example, when land-office records are found in the county register's office. Where overcrowding exists there is the familiar tendency to unload, and old papers, especially if unbound, are relegated to the loft, if happily they escape destruction. One of the most important services of a State department of archives, if pro-

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vided with ample space in a fireproof building, would be to assume, by authority of the assembly, the care of all old county books and papers which might be turned over to it by the county authorities.

The offices in the counties of Tennessee which are of chief importance for their records are those of the county court, the county register, the clerk and master in chancery, and the county trustee. There is also the clerk of the circuit court of the district in which the county lies. At Knoxville and Jackson, as will appear below, are found also the records of the supreme court of the State for East Tennessee and West Tennessee, respectively. In these court-houses, and three others, there are also records of State land offices. It must be clearly borne in mind that the notes on county archives which follow are limited to a few counties, selected out of the many in the State for a personal visitation and investigation which in nearly every case was limited as to time. For this reason the notes are descriptive only, and not inclusive. Nothing is said of the office of the county trustee, for this is usually concerned only with present or with very recent activities, and maintains only current papers. Only in a few cases was it possible to devote time to the office of clerk and master, or to that of the clerk of the circuit court. On the other hand, the general records of the county court and the land records of the county register were always taken up and examined where possible.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

The early records of Washington County, now in the keeping of the Tennessee Historical Society, in Nashville, consist primarily of the minutes of the county court. But, as in other counties, much material of general character is intermingled. A larger part, but by no means all, of these records has been printed in the American Historical Magazine.

From this publication and from the catalogue of the society it appears that these records should extend from the year 1778 to the year 1805. At present, however, that part which covers the year 1778 is not to be found, nor do the officials of the society know what has become of it. It is probable, however, that this part of the Washington County records was printed in the magazine without abbreviation.

The records make only one volume, written in loose folios, which is bound in boards. From their early date and from the fact that Washington County embraced at first all of what is now Tennessee these papers possess the very highest value and interest.

KNOX COUNTY.

The records of Knox County are in the court-house at Knoxville. This is a modern building, and the records are, for the most part, preserved with a care that should be emulated in the other parts of the State. Not only are the fireproof vaults larger and in better condition, but the arrangement of the shelves, with rollers, etc., and the binding and indexing of the volumes of archives are more thoroughly done than elsewhere.

The most important series of records seem to be nearly all complete.

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Office of the Clerk of the County Court.

Minute books, 1792 to present. There are 26 volumes to 1874, then an intervening volume, then a lettered series begins with C and goes to T, the last volume, making in all 44.

Estate books, 26 volumes, up to 1874, include wills. After that, wills separate, 4 volumes. Wills are indexed.

Marriage licenses, 1837 on, 11 volumes, indexed. There are some originals of earlier date.

Guardians' accounts, 12 volumes.

Death records, 3 volumes.

Industrial school records, 2 volumes.

Office of the County Register.

Records of transfers, labeled "Records." The volumes are numbered and lettered 1 A, 1 B, to 1 Z; 2 A, 2 B, to 2 Z, etc., as far as volume 4 H. The volumes are thereafter numbered, amounting to 205 in all. They are indexed.

Mortgage and trust deeds, all indexed; 111 volumes.

M'MINN COUNTY.

The records of McMinn County are in the court-house at Athens. Circumstances prevented an investigation of any but the land records in this county. The present court-house is a modern building, but apparently rather overcrowded. Some years ago there was a fire which caused the loss of many papers.

In the office of the register the volumes examined gave an impression of damp and mold. The office of the county court clerk was not examined, but some old volumes that must have belonged to that office were found in a mass of papers dumped on the floor in a room in the attic.

BRADLEY COUNTY.

The records of Bradley County are in the court-house at Cleveland.

Office of the County Clerk.

The minutes of the county court and other papers in the offices of this court-house are well preserved in dry vaults and kept, many of them, in modern roller shelves. There seem, however, to be many gaps, due to losses, and some of the volumes are in considerable disorder.

DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Office of the Clerk of the County Court.

Minutes of county court, 1783 to date, about 40 volumes. All indexed. After 1883 daily and quarterly courts separated.

Guardian bonds, 1869 to date, 12 volumes. All indexed. Before 1869 entered in minute books.

Administration bonds, 1850 to date, 18 volumes. Indexed.

Letters of administration, same dates, 7 volumes.

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Marriage records, 1838 to date, 24 volumes. All indexed. Before 1838 scattered originals.

Physicians' record, 1889 to date, 1 volume.

Pedigree book (horses), 1892, 1 volume.

Death record, 1881–82, 1 volume.

Road books, 1843. Volumes 2, 3, and 4.

Investigation of county asylum, 1895, 1 volume.

Wills and inventories, 1784–1805, 1 volume rebound; 36 volumes to present indexed.

Notary public bonds, 1892 to date, book form and indexed, 3 volumes.

Equity rule docket, 1850 on, 5 volumes.

Execution docket, 1867, 2 volumes.

Administration and execution list, 2 volumes.

Tax deeds from circuit court clerk (State), 1899 on, 2 volumes (individual).

Records of tippling licenses, from about twenty-five years ago, averaging 2 volumes a year.

Merchants' license ad val. tax, from 1890, every four years. Earlier volumes broken. Among those seen were 1883 to 1886, 1887–1889. Privilege tax since 1890 same. Earlier volumes, 1869–1872.

Conveyances, 1870 to date, 33 volumes.

Guardians' settlements, 1825 on, lettered A to L.

Inventories and settlements of trustees, 1883 to date, 5 volumes.

Inventories and settlements of administrators and executors, 1899 to date. Earlier kept in will books

Tax books. Since 1883, several volumes deposited with Nashville Title Abstract Company. Others in county court. Later volumes separate property within corporate limits of Nashville from that without the city. Older tax lists, separate volumes 1862, 1868, 1870 (2), 1871, 1872, 1874, and 1875.

Criminal docket, 1870, 1 volume.

List of voters registered under franchise act passed June 3, 1865, 1 volume.

Office of County Register.

General conveyances, etc., lettered A to Z, 1784 to 1839. Contain miscellaneous bills of sale for negroes, etc., as well as transfers of real property. With 1838, 9 volumes are numbered, 1 to 334. Titles vary, including "warranty," "deeds," "trust" (mortgages), "personal," "charters," "maps," "judgments," etc. There are 20 volumes labeled note books. Indexes to several volumes.

Election pay rolls, 1887 to date.

Road orders (in boxes).

Series labeled "quarterly reports" (county judges). About thirty years.

List of polls, 1882.

Record of fees and criminal costs, 1878.

Magistrate's docket, 1859.

Criminal court records, about 30 volumes. Begin January term, 1880.

Financial records, workhouse vouchers, dockets, etc.; judges' docket; payable warrants.

Office of Clerk and Master in Chancery.

Minutes of chancery court, begin 1846, lettered A to Z and numbered 1 to 71.

Execution docket, lettered A to Y.

Plan books, volumes 1 and 2.

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Sales books, volumes 1 to 9.
Schedule books, volumes 1 to 12.
Dividend books, volumes 1 to 10.
Personal ledgers and miscellaneous papers.
Rule docket, 1846 to date, lettered A to Z (F skipped) and numbered 1 to 17.
Journal (part of executive docket), numbered 1 to 17.
Enrolling books, begin 1854, 53 volumes.
Appeal docket, 3 volumes.
Various memorandum dockets, files of chancery cases, and miscellaneous.

Office of the Clerk of the Criminal Court.

Criminal court minutes, 1842 to date, lettered A to Z, AA to ZZ, AAA to VVV (present volume).
Trial docket, one for each term.
Execution docket, lettered A to Z, AA to PP (present volume).

Office of County Tax Assessor

This office was established in 1890.
Original annual field books, one for each ward and district. Pencil books, alphabetically arranged. Ink books for each ward and district. These go from this office to that of the trustee and thence to that of the county clerk.
Poll-tax books, one for each ward and district. Go to trustee for record.

Office of the County Trustee.

This office contains nothing of date earlier than 1883. The trustee is the officer in charge of receipts and disbursements. A classification of the various ledgers, etc., was not practicable at the time of the investigation.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

The records of Franklin County are in the court-house at Winchester. There were serious losses during the civil war, and many of the records are incomplete. The condition of those which remain is not the best.

MAURY COUNTY.

The records of Maury County are in the court-house at Columbia. Through the kindness of one of his former students, Mr. George V. Peak, the writer is informed that with the exception of one minute book the records appear to be complete. There has been no loss of records by fire in the history of the county. Though the court-house was at one time during the civil war used as a barracks by Federal soldiers, none of the county records were displaced or destroyed. In almost every case the records prior to 1880 have been packed away in vaults in the cellar. The officials state that these are likewise in good condition.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

The records of Lincoln County are in the court-house at Fayetteville. The court-house is a substantial building and the records are fairly well preserved.

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Office of the Clerk of the County Court.

Minutes of the county court, beginning 1811, by years to 1864, then lettered to 1892; from 1892 lettered A2, A3, A4, then numbered to present volume, which is 4. Indexed. Some volumes gone.

Quarterly minutes since January, 1898, 2 volumes, lettered A and B. Insolvent estates.

Guardians' settlements, about 10 volumes, 1889 to date. Indexed.

Executors' and administrators' records, several volumes. Indexed.

Inventories, several volumes and index.

Sales, 1 volume.

Judgments, 1 volume.

Rule docket.

Clerk, special commission, 1861–1870.

Claims against county, 1 volume.

Warrants, 2 volumes.

Other single volumes of miscellaneous character.

Wills, 5 volumes; begin 1827.

Administrators' bonds, 7 volumes.

Guardians' bonds, 3 volumes.

Executors' and administrators' bonds, 2 volumes.

Prosecution bonds, 3 volumes.

Magistrates' bonds, 2 volumes.

Merchants' licenses and merchants' bonds, several volumes.

Tippling licenses, 1 volume.

Insolvent claims, 1 volume.

Hearing docket, 1864–1869, contains list of voters of Lincoln County under the franchise law of 1865.

Tax duplicates, 1 volume for each year back to 1874, and some earlier volumes.

Marriage records, several volumes, beginning 1838; many gaps.

Distribution docket (land).

Probate deeds, 5 volumes, 1841 to date.

Notary public bonds, 1 volume.

Merchants' bonds, 5 volumes.

Certified bills of cost, 6 volumes.

Assessors' bonds and oaths, 1 volume.

Automobile register, 1 volume.

Physicians' licenses, 1 volume.

Privilege license.

Expiration license (?).

Office of the County Register.

Records begin 1810. From 1866 volumes are lettered.

Trust deeds, 27 volumes, beginning 1868.

Chattel mortgages, 2 volumes, beginning 1903.

Revenue book, 3 volumes from 1875.

Miscellaneous, 2 volumes.

Note books, etc.

The following record books of the register's office of Lincoln County were destroyed by the casualties of the civil war: Book F, 1820–1823; book Q, 1842; book, 1853; book U, 1854; book W, 1858; book Y, 1860.

The office of clerk and master was not investigated.

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MADISON COUNTY.

The records of Madison County are in the court-house at Jackson. The building is a modern one, and the records seem relatively well cared for. During the war the former court-house was used for military purposes, and some papers suffered defacement.

Office of the Clerk of the County Court.

Minutes of the county court, volumes 1 to 25, complete, begin December 7, 1821.
Records of guardians' settlements, 10 volumes.
Records of administrations, insolvents, etc., 13 volumes.
Bond books of various sorts, 22 volumes.
Cash and revenue books.
Marriage records, 14 volumes, including 2 for marriages of colored people.
Wills and inventories, 10 volumes, from 1821.
Receipts, 1886, 1 volume; others of different dates.
Tax duplicate books, among them volumes for 1882 and 1875.
Various road books.
Record of chairman's and of judge's warrants.
Revenue and other financial books.
Rule and execution dockets, 2 volumes.
Pedigrees (horses), volume.
Mobile and Ohio tax book, 1854–1857, 1 volume.

Office of the Register.

Register of mortgages and trust deeds, volumes 1 to 59, all indexed.
Deed books (transfers), volumes 1 to 70; 1822 to date, all indexed.
Records of charters, 3 volumes.
Note books, dockets, receipt books, etc.
Plat with index.

Office of the Clerk and Master in Chancery.

Rule docket, volumes 1 to 16, begin 1838.
Minute books, volumes 1 to 22, 1846.
Execution docket, volumes 1 to 4.
Enrolled cases, old, 7 volumes.
Rule minute book, 1 volume.
Insolvent claim book, 1 volume.
Hearing docket, 3 for each term.
Cost bonds, volumes 1 to 5.
Judgment bonds, volumes 1 to 3.
Attachment bonds, volumes 1 to 3.
Cash books, volumes 1 and 2.
Receipt books, volumes 1 to 4.
Court index book, 1 volume.
Court tax books, special, under act of 1887.
Tax minutes, volumes 1 to 7.
Tax execution docket, volumes 1 to 6.
Officers' costs book, volume 1.

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Tax index, 1 volume.

Judgment index, 1 volume.

Blotter day book, No. 3.

The above are all the offices investigated by the writer. There are several volumes of records in the loft. Among these is one of the books of the State Bank, 1854–1867.

SHELBY COUNTY.

Office of County Court Clerk.

Records in a vault, electric light, shelves overcrowded. Also some papers in garret.

Minutes of county court. Begin 1820; 87 volumes, to date.

Inventories and accounts. Small volumes, 1823–1830, 1830–1833, 1838–1840. Large volumes, 1 to 21, 1841 to date.

Administrations, etc., volumes 1 to 20, 1845 to date.

Execution records, 4 volumes.

Guardian bonds, 5 volumes.

Testamentary records, volumes 1 to 20, 1830 to date.

Settlements of insolvent estates, 5 volumes.

Administrators' and executors' settlements, volumes 1 to 46, 1848 to date.

Liquor bonds.

Marriage records.

Quarterly court docket, 1870 to date.

Quorum court.

Quarterly court minutes.

Execution docket, volumes A to X.

Earlier county court docket.

Several other volumes and sets of volumes which could not be examined in the time at the disposal of the investigator.

RECORDS OF THE CITY OF MEMPHIS.

An attempt was made to examine the records of the city of Memphis, but at the time of the writer's visit it appeared that the older records were inaccessible, inasmuch as the city offices were located in temporary quarters. A new city hall is to be built. Meanwhile the archives are in a vault which can not be opened.

As to recent and current records, the following information was obtained:

The government of the city consists of two boards, the board of fire and police commissioners, with five members, and the board of public works, with ten. The members of both are elected at large. One of the five members of the upper board is the mayor, whose powers are restricted. Both meet at the same time. Up to 1905 the former board was restricted to the matters indicated by its title, but now both boards pass on all public measures. Each board keeps a journal.

All city officials are elected for four years, but the members of the boards are elected in classes, so that some hold over.

The register is the secretary of the city, and also, with an assistant, acts as secretary to each of the city boards. He keeps a ledger, a trial balance, a journal of office, a book of abstracts or account of receipts and disbursements.

Warrants for disbursements, after being vouchered in each department, are sent to the register for payment, who draws a check signed by the mayor and two of the board of fire and police commissioners. The check is also indorsed by the city treasurer.

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The city tax receiver and the county trustee are the same; that is, the person elected as county trustee is the city tax receiver. He receives two separate commissions. The city fixes its own tax rate, makes its own assessments, but collections are made by this county officer, who keeps two sets of books.

There are several collections of printed laws of the city of Memphis.

The last printed annual report of the city officers seems to be that for 1900. None later than this were found by the writer, and he was informed by a city official that the only official publication of the present was the statement of the budget, which was printed in the newspapers.

The best collection of laws, etc., is to be found in the Cossitt Library.

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MATERIALS FOR A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF THE THIRTEEN ORIGINAL STATES.

COVERING THE COLONIAL PERIOD
AND THE STATE PERIOD TO 1789.

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1. INTRODUCTION.

The following compilation makes no claim to completeness. It is only an attempt to provide a tentative list of the fundamental official archives of the thirteen original States, including the District of Maine and Vermont. Doubtless items have been omitted that might properly have found a place in this list. The object of the compiler has been not to show the extent or character of the manuscript archives, but to show where, when, and how completely these have been published. It has also been attempted to fix such information upon this subject as might be of use in further researches on the same lines. In making this initial effort the compiler has recorded primarily such public archives as have been published by official authority. To some extent, also, documents published by private enterprise have been noted, but it has not been practical to include in this bibliography isolated material found in collections of private papers and similar places.

As has been stated previously in the Commission's introduction to the present report, such a list at best could not be final, owing both to the extreme scarcity and inaccessibility of many of the colonial imprints, and to the fact that hitherto unknown publications are, from time to time, being brought to light.

The arrangement of this list is by States, subdivided into appropriate periods, each of which is classified under the heads of the several departments of government. In this way the political continuity of the various colonies has been set forth in so far as it was possible to do so at the present time. Many breaks still exist. Some could doubtless even now be filled in by a careful working over of the records, others may have to be supplied by inference, or by the process of combination. Given time, however, and opportunity, it should not be impossible to reconstruct a fairly satisfactory framework of colonial political organization. The establishment of this

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political continuity has been worked out independently of and as a basis for the collation of the archives. Thus it will be seen that the effort has been first to show what archives there should have been, and then, by showing what actually are known to exist, to give the student and the collector an idea of the weak places in his material.

In carrying out this project of providing a record of the public archives in print, bibliographical technique has been subordinated. It is believed, however, that enough has been introduced to serve as a guide to the collector of documentary material.

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PART I.

2. GENERAL SOURCES.

a. PUBLIC ARCHIVES COMMISSION.

"The commission was appointed at the meeting of the American Historical Association at Boston, December 27–29, 1899. The purpose of the commission is to examine into the condition and character of the public records of the United States, of the several States, and of important local communities, with a view to obtaining and publishing such information concerning them as will make the records more generally known and more easily available for students. The commission is not intended to be a medium for the publication of archives, nor does it aim to supplant the various State record commissions, and other similar agencies, already existing. Its objects are, rather, the compilation of information, as full and detailed as possible, regarding the particular class of American historical material generally known as archives or public records, the preparation of such catalogues or finding lists as may be deemed useful, and the unification and improvement, so far as its influence as an advisory body can be made effective, of methods of publishing, arranging, and preserving official documentary material." (Circular issued by Amer. Historical Association upon organization of Archives Commission.)

1. Annual report, 1900. 303 pp.
   Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1900, v. 2. Prof. William MacDonald was chairman. Report contained returns on public archives of Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska, New York, and Wisconsin.
2. Annual report, 1901. pp. 225–360.
   Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1901, v. 2. Chairman as above. Report contains returns on public archives of the city and county of Philadelphia, of North Carolina, and of Texas.
3. Annual report, 1902. pp. 329–363.
   Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1902, v. 1. Chairman as before. Report contains returns on public archives of Oregon, report on the Bexar archives.
4. Annual report, 1903. pp. 407–664.
   Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1903, v. 1. Prof. Herman V. Ames, chairman. Report contains returns on public archives of Colorado, Georgia, Mississippi, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Virginia.
5. Annual report, 1904. pp. 497–649.
   Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1904. Chairman as before. Report contains returns on public archives of Alabama, Georgia local archives, Kansas, North Carolina county archives, and Pennsylvania.

b. CALENDAR OF STATE PAPERS.

Colonial Series. London. 4°. (Public Record Office.)

v. 1.	America and West Indies, 1574–1660.	1860.	xxxiv, 577 pp.
v. 5.	id., 1661–1668.	1880.	lxxxiii, 736 pp.
v. 7.	id., 1669–1674.	1889.	xliii, 714 pp.
v. 9.	id., 1675–1676. Addenda, 1574–1674.	1893.	lxi, 595 pp.
v. 10.	id., 1677–1680.	1896.	lvi, 700 pp.
v. 11.	id., 1681–1685.	1898.	lv, 829 pp.
v. 12.	id., 1685–1688.	1899.	xxxviii, 713 pp.
v. 13.	id., 1689–1892.	1901.	xxxvi, 807 pp.
v. 14.	id., 1693–1696.	1903.	xlvi, 725 pp.
v. 15.	id., 1696–1697.	1904.	xxix, 714 pp.
v. 16.	id., 1697–1698.	1905.	xxxiv, 630 pp.

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c. HOUSE OF LORDS MANUSCRIPTS.

New series, v. 1, 1693–1695; v. 2, 1695–1697. London, 1900–1903. 8°.

In continuation of 2 vols. (1690–1691, 1692–1693) issued as app. v, 13th rept., and app. vi, 14th rept., resp., of the British Hist. MSS. Commission. These earlier volumes contain little material relating to the American plantations. The volumes of the new series, on the other hand, contain considerable material. Such as falls within the scope of the present compilation has been brought out and entered in its proper place.

d. HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS COMMISSION.

Report on printed guides to and descriptions of archives, etc. I. Governmental repositories, national and state. II. Local repositories.

First Ann. Rept. Historical MSS. Commission, 1896, pp. 483–512. Ann. Rept. Amer. Hist. Assn., 1896, v. 1.

e. COLLECTIONS OF COLONIAL CHARTERS.

A List of Copies of Charters, from the Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, Presented to the Honourable the House of Commons, in Pursuance of their Address to His Majesty, of the 25th of April 1740. Viz. Maryland Charter, granted by King Charles I. in the 8th Year of His Reign. Connecticut Charter, granted by King Charles II. in the 14th Year of His Reign. Rhode Island Charter, granted by King Charles II, in the 15th Year of His Reign. Pennsylvania Charter, granted by King Charles II. in the 33d Year of His Reign. Massachusetts Bay Charter, granted by King William and Queen Mary, in the 3d Year of Their Reign. Georgia Charter, granted by His present Majesty, in the 5th Year of His Reign. London: Printed in the Year M. DCC. XLI. t. p., 12, 10, 14, 12, 21, 18 pp. Folio.

In the Tower copy [no. 8] the Georgia charter is wanting; possibly this is not an individual defect.

The Charters of the following Provinces of North America; viz. Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Massachusett's Bay, Connecticut, and Rhode Island, Georgia. To which is prefixed, A Faithful Narrative of the Proceedings of the North American Colonies, In Consequence of the late Stamp-Act. London: Printed for W. Owen at Temple-Bar. . . . MDCCLXVI. sm. 4°. 1 map, 1 l., 18, 15 (1), 5 (1), 4, 6, 5 (1), 9 (1), 7 pp.

The Charters of the British Colonies in America. London: Printed for J. Almon, ... [1775]. 8°. 1, 1, 142 pp.

3. THE COMPANIES.

THE VIRGINIA COMPANY AND THE COUNCIL FOR NEW ENGLAND.

a. VIRGINIA COMPANY OF LONDON.

Charter.

1606, Apr. 10. Letters patent to Sir Thomas Gates, etc. 4 James I.

1747. Stith. Hist. Va. pt. 1, app. no. 1.
1809. Hening. Statutes, etc. 1: 57–66.
1877. Poore. Charters, etc. ‼: 1888 et seq.
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S. 1: 52–63.

1606, Nov. 20. Instructions for the government of the Colonies. 4 James I.

1809. Hening. Statutes, etc. 1: 67–75.
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S. 1: 64–75.

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1609, May 23. Royal charter. 7 James I.
1747. Stith. Hist. Va. pt. 1, app. no. 2.
1809. Hening. Statutes. i: 80–89.
1877. Poore. Charters, etc. ii: 1893 et seq.
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S. i: 208–237.

1612, Mar. 12. Royal charter. 9 James I.
1747. Stith. Hist. Va. pt. 1, app. no. 3.
1809. Hening. Statutes. i: 98–110.
1877. Poore. Charters, etc. ii: 1902 et seq.
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S. ii: 540–553.

Record of proceedings.

1619–1624. Abstr. of the proceedings of the Virginia Company of London, 1619–1624, prepared from the records in the Library of Congress by Conway Robinson, and edited with an introduction and notes by R. A. Brock. Richmond, 1888. 2 v.
Va. Hist. Socy. Coll. n. s. v. 7–8.

1619. The records of the Virginia Company of London, the court book, from the manuscript in the Library of Congress; ed., with an introduction and bibliography, by Susan M. Kingsbury . . . Preface by Herbert L. Osgood. Vol. I, II, Washington, 1906. frtsp., facs. 8°.
The introduction and bibliography, v. I: 11–206, also published separately.

References.

1901. London Company Records, by Lyon G. Tyler. (Amer. Hist. Assn., 1907, Rept. 543 et seq.)
1859. Thornton. First records of Anglo-American colonization. Boston, 1859. 12 pp. 8°.
250 copies privately printed. First published in the Hist. Mag. Feb., 1858, under the title "Records of the London Company for the First Colony in Virginia."

Extracts.

[1621, Sept.]. Articles and Orders Concluded on by the President and Counsell for the Affaires of New England for the better Government of the Trade [for the] Advancement of the Plantaçon in those Parts.
Amer. Hist. Rev., July, 1899, p. 686 et seq. This is not really an extract from the records, being printed for the first time as noted.

Virginia Company of London. Extracts from their manuscript transactions; with notes. By Edward D. Neill. Washington: Govt. Printing Office, 1868. 17 pp. 8°.
Also printed as Sen. misc. doc. 84, U. S., 40th cong., 2 sess. Pamphlet in this form consists of 11 pp.

b. COUNCIL OF NEW ENGLAND.

See memorandum by Charles Deane in Proc. Amer. Antiquarian Society, 1875.

Patent.

1620, Nov. 3/13. Great Patent of New England. 18 James I.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 103–118.
1818. Trumbull. Hist. Conn. app. xxvi.
1836. Brigham. Plymouth Colony Laws, 18.
1862. Poor. Claims of Sir Ferdinando Gorges.
1866. Baylies. Hist. Colony New Plymouth.
1885. Davis. Hist. Town of Plymouth. app. v.
1877. Poore. Charters and Constitutions. i: 921 et seq.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 45.

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Records.

1622–1623, 1631–1638, in Amer. Antiq. Socy. Proc. 1867: 53–131, and 1875: 49–63.

1622, July 24. Minutes of first division of Great Patent of 1620.
1862. Poor. Vindication of Gorges. app. D.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 61 et seq.

1635, Apr. 25/May 5. Declaration for resignation of the great charter.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 390–392.
1885. Davis. Hist. Plymouth. app. v.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 197–200.

1635, May 1/11. Petition for act of surrender.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 392.
1867. N. H. Prov. Papers. i: 40.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 201–202.

1635, June 7/17. Act of surrender of Great Patent.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 393.
1836. Brigham. Plymouth Colony Laws, 333–335.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 203–205.

References.

Haven. History of grants under the Great Council for New England. Lowell lectures, 1869.

Christy. Attempts toward colonization; the Council for New England and the Merchant Venturers of Bristol, 1621–1623. (Amer. Hist. Rev., July, 1899: 678–702.)

4. COLONIAL CONFEDERATION.

The following is but a sketch of the various movements toward colonial confederation. In this sketch the many colonial alliances against Indian tribes, whether on the part of a single colony, or jointly on the part of two or more colonies, have been disregarded. Only those colonial unions, or plans for such unions, have been indicated, which resulted, or were intended to result, in a political confederation of the British mainland colonies comprised within the limits of the present continental United States.

1643.

UNITED COLONIES OF NEW ENGLAND.

Articles of Confederation.

1. 1643, May 19.
1656. New Haven's settling in New England.
1794. Hazard. Hist. Coll. ii: 1–6.
1836. Brigham. Plymouth Colony Laws, 308–314.
1859. Plymouth Colony Records. ix: 3–8.

2. 1670, June 5.
1794. Hazard. Hist. Coll. ii: 516–521.
1859. Plymouth Colony Records. x: 340–345.

3. 1672, Sept. 5.
1794. Hazard. Hist. Coll. ii: 521–526.
1836. Brigham. Plymouth Colony Laws, 314–320.
1859. Plymouth Colony Records. x: 346–351.

Records of proceedings.

1643, Sept. 7–1678, Mar. 20.
1794. Hazard. Hist. Coll. ii.
1859. Plymouth Colony Records. ix–x.

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Extracts.

1859. Extracts . . . . comprising such portions of the records as are not published in the second volume of Hazard's State Papers; from the original MSS. in the secretary's office at Hartford, by J. H. Trumbull. 46 pp.

—— Public Records Conn. Colony iii: 471–514.

—— Plymouth Colony Records x: 373 et seq.

See also Memorial History of Boston. v. 1: 295–302.

"In a few years after the English established themselves at Plymouth, in New England, their settlements became so extensive, and were so distant from each other, as to render their situation very insecure. Surrounded by enemies, distracted by internal divisions, and too far from their mother country to receive seasonable assistance from her, they were led to consult their common safety; and for that purpose the four principal colonies, (Massachusetts, Plymouth, Connecticut, and New Haven) confederated in 1643. They gave to commissioners, annually chosen, the management of such affairs as concerned the union generally, while each retained its sovereignty in other respects. The commissioners held both stated and occasional meetings, and kept regular journals of their proceedings, which have acquired the name Records of the United Colonies of New England. Although these contain much information, and have been frequently referred to by historians, they have never yet appeared in print; and as the compiler was informed of but two copies of them existing in manuscript, he thought it advisable to make another, and accordingly transcribed the whole, which is now submitted to the public eye . . . ." (Hazard. Hist. Coll. II: iii.)

"The acts and proceedings of the commissioners of the United Colonies of New England, transcribed from the original minutes attested by their signatures, were 'at large set down in the books of their records, whereof every colony had one.' (Winth., Jour., ii, 246.) Two, only, of these copies are preserved, that of Connecticut, and that which formerly belonged to Plymouth Colony, now in the office of secretary of state of Massachusetts. The latter was copied by Mr. Hazard in the second volume of State papers . . . . The Connecticut copy . . . . comprises the records of several meetings of the commissioners omitted from the Plymouth copy . . . . It has been thought best to insert, with them, the records of the earlier meetings not found in the Plymouth copy or published by Mr. Hazard; and to incorporate such letters, and reports, belonging to the files of the commissioners, as are preserved in the Connecticut archives." (Public Records Colony of Conn. iii: 472.)

1679–1686.

Tendencies looking toward the confederation, which took place in 1636, are disclosed in the journals of the Lords of Trade and Plantations, in Orders in Council, in Randolph's letters, etc. Although the present compilation pretends to summarize only the American archives, this material, having such direct bearing on the government so often referred to as the "usurpation government," may, not without impropriety, be referred to here. It can easily be followed in the Calendar of State Papers, America and West Indies.

1686–1689.

TERRITORY AND DOMINION OF NEW ENGLAND.

Pursuant to Dudley's commission the Union comprised Massachusetts Bay, New Hampshire, Maine, and the Narragansett country. In Andros' first commission, viz, 1686, the name of New Plymouth is added to the above. In Andros' second commission, viz, 1688, the union is declared to comprise Massachusetts Bay, New Plymouth, New Hampshire, Maine, Narragansett, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, and East and West Jersey.

LEGISLATIVE.

Laws.

Dudley's commission provides authority for the administration of justice, the imposition of taxes, and for the executive succession. There is no provision for authority to make laws, except, perhaps, by implication, in the reference to the use of the seal. By the minutes of the council, summarized below, it

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would seem that government was administered by means of executive orders during Dudley's incumbency. Andros' first commission gives to the governor the authority to make laws with the advice of the council, all such laws to be submitted to the sovereign within three months after making, for the royal approval or veto. This provision is repeated in Andros' second commission. Clause 18 of the royal instructions to Andros, of date of September 12, 1686, prescribes the style of enacting laws to be "By the governor and council."

1858. Public Records Colon. Conn. iii: 402–436.

1874. Abstract of laws of New England, 1689. (Andros Tracts, v. 3. Prince Socy.)

1904. Laws Mar. 3, 1686–87–Mar. 24, 1687–88. N. H. Prov. Laws i: 184–225.

"A copy of the bill for an act declaring the laws . . . . to be of force in Connecticut, which was inclosed in John West's letter to Mr. Allyn, of November 24th, is bound with Misc. Papers, v. 1, doc. 31 [office secretary of state, Conn.] No copy of the laws themselves, or of any one of them, is now preserved in the secretary's office, and it was not until after much inquiry and fruitless search that they were found in the manuscript pages appended to a copy of the first Book of the [Conn.] Colony Laws (ed. 1673), belonging to the library of Yale College. This volume, at the period of the usurpation, was in the possession of Mr. John Wadsworth Sen., of Farmington (one of the assistants from 1679 to 1689), who carefully recorded in it the acts and orders of each session of the general court from May, 1673, to March, 1687, and 'the Laws of the Territory of New England,' in force during the government of Andros in Connecticut. These last fill thirty-eight closely written pages, mostly written by Mr. Wadsworth himself . . . . They are arranged in the order in which they are named in the enforcing act, the acts which were passed subsequent to the annexation of Connecticut, following in course. It has been thought best to publish these laws entire, and altogether in this place . . . ."

On p. v, vol. 5, of the Public Records, in a note dated April 25, 1870, Mr. Hoadly says: "Recently, I have discovered another manuscript of the Laws of the Territory and Dominion of New England, by which the text of those laws printed in the Appendix to volume III . . . . may be completed and corrected in several places." No further reference is made.

EXECUTIVE.

Governors.

1685. Joseph Dudley, president.
1686. Sir Edmund Andros, governor to 1689.

Commissions and instructions.

1685, Oct. 8/12. Royal commission for Joseph Dudley. 1 James II.
- 1798. [extract only]. Mass. Hist. Socy. Coll. ser. 1, v. 5: 244–246.
- 1867. [extract only]. N. H. Prov. Papers. i: 590–592.
- 1885. N. H. Prov. Papers. ser. 5, v. 9: 145–152.
- 1901. Extr. in Farnham Papers. i: 367.
- 1904. Batchellor. Province Laws of N. H. 94–99.

1686, June 3/13. Royal commission to Sir Edmund Andros. 2 James II.
- 1838. Mass. Hist. Socy. Coll. 3 ser. v. 7: 139 et seq.
- 1846. Force. Tracts. v. 4, no. 8.
- 1858. R. I. Records. iii: 212–218.
- 1866. N. H. Hist. Socy. Coll. viii: 268–278.
- 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers. xviii: 1–10.
- 1901. Farnham Papers. i: 369 et seq.
- 1900. Batchellor. Province Laws of N. H. i: 146–155.

1686, Sept. 12. Royal instructions to Sir Edmund Andros. 2 James II.
- 1858. R. I. Colon. Records. iii: 218 et seq.
- 1904. Batchellor. Province Laws of N. H. i: 155–167.

1686, Oct. 31. Additional royal instructions to Andros; enforcement of acts of trade and navigation.
- 1904. Batchellor's Prov. Laws of N. H., 169–170.

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1688, Apr. 7. Royal commission to Andros. 4 James II.
1853. O'Callaghan. Colon. Hist. N. Y. iii: 537–42.
1907. Farnham Papers. 1: 379–381.
1904. Batchellor. Prov. Laws of N. H. 1: 226–234.

1688, Apr. 16. Royal instructions to Andros. 4 James II.
1853. O'Callaghan. Colon. Hist. N. Y. iii: 543–49.
1904. Batchellor. Prov. Laws of N. H. 1: 234–44.

Governor's Council.

In view of the fact that so few of the minutes of the Council of New England are accessible in the U. S.—only the minutes of Dec. 30, 1686, and Nov. 1–2, 1687, appear to have been printed in full, the utility of a summary of the calendar entries of these minutes has suggested itself. The abstract as given in the Calendar of State Papers, noted below, is more or less full, and, in lieu of the full minutes, may, at times, itself prove useful. The absence of so much of this material from American collections has, furthermore, seemed to warrant a little fuller collation than that adopted for other parts of this compilation. (See p. 561.)

Minutes of Council of New England.

1686, May 16–29. King's commission read; proclamation of new government; orders for court of pleas; legal procedure, etc. (*ms.* Colon. Entry Bk. v. 62 (*sic.* i. e. v. 64?) p. 1–15. *prtd.* Abstr. in Calendar of State Papers. Colonial Amer. and W. Indies, 1685 et seq., no. 2129.)

1686, June 1–3. Import duties, etc. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 16–26. *prtd.* ib. no. 2130.)

1686, June 8. Fees of clerks of co. courts in N. H. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 26. *prtd.* ib. no. 2131.)

1686, June 10–11. Boundaries of townships; lots in Worcester; president's oath to observe navigation acts. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 27–33. *prtd.* ib. no. 2132.)

1686, June 14–15. Appointments of minor officials; records of Narragansett. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 33–34. *prtd.* ib. no. 2133.)

1686, June 17–18. Settlement of Worcester; liquor to Indians, etc. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 34–37. *prtd.* ib. no. 2135.)

1686, July 1. Randolph sworn as secretary and Uster as treasurer. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 37–38. *prtd.* ib. no. 2136.)

1686, July 8. Sundry petitions. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 39–41. *prtd.* ib. no. 2137.)

1686, July 12. Gave's lands; provost marshal for N. H.; admission of French protestants. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 41–44. *prtd.* ib. no. 2138.)

1686, July 20. Cambridge College; delivery of records of Maine. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 45. *prtd.* ib. no. 2139.)

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1681, July 22. Prohibiting export of corn or grain; payment of arrears of rates; confirmation of order of 1671 of selectmen of Boston for storage of gunpowder. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 45 et seq. *prtd.* ib. no. 2141.)

1686, July 23. Government of Cambridge College. (*ms.* Colon. Papers, v. 58 no. 6. *prtd.* ib. no. 784.)

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—— July 27. Payments to Maj. Pyncheon and Mr. Winthrop for journey to Hartford, etc. (*ms.* ib. v. 64, p. 51 et seq. *prtd.* ib. 2144.)

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—— Dec. 19–23. Private land grants; laws in Conn. (*ms.* ib. p. 162–166. *prtd.* ib. no. 1568.)

—— Dec. 27. Laws in Conn.; courts. (*ms.* ib. p. 167–168. *prtd.* ib. no. 1578.)

1688, Aug. 29. Audit of Dongan's accts. (*ms.* Colon. Papers, v. 63 iv–v. *prtd.*)

—— Sept. 5. Pay of Dongan's soldiers. (*ms.* Colon. Papers, v. 63 iv–v. *prtd.*)

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1686–1689. Orders in Council.

1904. N. H. Prov. Laws, 1: 244–255.

1690. April-May.

Conference in N. Y. of New England colonies. Delegates from Massachusetts, Plymouth, Connecticut, and New York attended.

1690, Mar. 19. Original order of General Court of Mass. proposing to hold a congress.

1872. Frothingham. Rise of the Republic. ed. 3: 90.

1690, Apr. 2. Leisler's circular letter to the colonies inviting them to meet at New York.

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1690, Apr. 17. Reply of Gov. Hinckley, of Plymouth, to Leisler's circular letter.

1861. Mass Hist. Socy. Coll. 4 ser. v: 242 et seq.

1690, Apr. 18. Reply of Gov. Bull, of Rhode Island, to Leisler's circular letter.

1690, May 1. Agreement of delegates to the Congress.

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1872. Frothingham. Rise of the Republic. ed. 3: 92.

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1693. October 4–6.

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1693, Sept. 23. Fletcher's letter calling meeting.

1852. Minutes Prov. Council Penn. i: 391.

Record of proceedings.

1852. Minutes Prov. Council Penn. i: 393–394.

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1697.

Penn's plan.

Feb. 1. Memorial of Edmund Harrison to Board of Trade relative to union of colonies for mutual protection against the French and Indians. (Text in Calendar of State Papers Amer. and W. Indies, 1696 et seq. no. 651.)

Feb. 8. Report of Agents for New York to Council of Trade and Plantations on Harrison memorial. (ib. no. 691.)

Feb. 8. A Briefe and Plaine Scheam how the English colonies in the North Parts of America . . . . may be made more useful to the Crowne . . . . (Penn's Plan.) (Text in Carson. Anniv. Hist. Const. U. S., ii: 449–451.)

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1721.

Earl of Stair's plan.

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1721.

Plan of Lords of Trade.

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1722.

Coxe's plan.

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1751.

Kennedy's plan.

The Importance of Gaining and Preserving the Friendship of the Indians to the British Interest Considered. New York, 1751. Extract in Carson, ii: 467.

1754. June 19–July 11.

ALBANY CONVENTION.

PLANS.

(Franklin's.)

In his Gazette of May 9, 1754, Franklin first published his "Short Hints towards a Scheme for uniting the Northern Colonies." These "Hints" he elaborated and submitted to the commissioners at Albany; text in Carson, Anniv. Hist. Const. U. S. ii: 464–472; Sparks' Franklin, iii: 26. MS. of "Short Hints" is preserved with Alexander's and Colden's notes in N. Y. Historical Society Library. For references to text of Franklin's final draft see Winsor, v: 612.

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(Peters'.)

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PENNSYLVANIA.

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RHODE ISLAND.

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CONNECTICUT.

Text in Mass. Hist. Socy. Coll., ser. 1, vii: 207–210.

1754. August 9.

Lords of Trade plan.

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1760.

Johnson's plan.

Questions Relating to the Union and Government of the Plantations.

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Part II.

5. COLONIES AND STATES.

a. MAINE.

ARRANGEMENT.

Collections.
Archives of the Province of Maine.
Under Council for New England, 1622–1635.
Under proprietary rule, 1635–1669.
After this time, and up to 1820, the province was under the jurisdiction of Massachusetts.
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ARCHIVES OF THE PROVINCE OF MAINE.

1622-1635.

UNDER JURISDICTION OF THE COUNCIL FOR NEW ENGLAND.

1622, Aug. 10/20. Council of New England's grant to Sir Ferdinando Gorges.
1658. Gorges. Hist. of America. pt. 2: 34.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Collections. 1: 152 et seq.
1862. Poor. Vindication Sir Ferdinando Gorges. app. D.
1867. N. H. Prov. Papers. 1: 10 et seq.
1887. Dean. Capt. John Mason, 121 et seq.
1901. Farnham. Farnham Papers. 1: 64 et seq.

1635-1669.

PROPRIETARY RULE.

Lords proprietors.

1635–1647. Sir Ferdinando Gorges.
1647–1664. Interregnum.
1664–1669. James, Duke of York.

1635-1647.

SIR FERDINANDO GORGES, LORD PROPRIETOR.

1635, Feb. 3. Agreement for division of lands held by Council for New England under Great Patent of 18 James I. (See p. 247.)

The recital of Lord Edward Gorges' division, assigned to Sir Ferdinando Gorges, is probably the patent of 1635 to Sir Ferdinando Gorges, referred to in Winsor, iii: 363. A copy of this recital is recorded in the Calendar of State

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Papers, Colonial series, America and West Indies, v. 1: 195. Williamson, History of Maine, i: 256 et seq., gives an abstract of each of the twelve divisions under this agreement. The first four divisions fell within the present state of Maine, Sir Ferdinando Gorges holding a confirmation of two of them, viz, the third and fourth. An organization under this assignment took place, a few records of which are extant in manuscript. Citations are made from them in Folsom. History of Saco and Biddeford, 49–52. The originals are among the old county records at Alfred, Me. See Winsor and Williamson, as above.

1639, Apr. 3/13. Royal charter to Sir Ferdinando Gorges. 15 Charles I.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 442.
1795. Sullivan. Hist. distr. Maine. app. i.
1829. Stmt. of U. S. under Anglo-Amer. convention of 1827. app. ii.
1878. Poore. Charters and constitutions. i: 774–783.
1890. Baxter. Sir Ferdinando Gorges. ii: 123.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 222.

The first government organized under this charter was in 1640. No records have been printed. The manuscript records are at Alfred. Extracts from the records have been made by Folsom in his Hist. of Saco and Biddeford.

Commissions.

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1795. Sullivan. Hist. distr. Maine. app. vi.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 249.

1639, Sept. 2–12. Proprietary commission to Sir Thomas Jocelyn and others.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll. i: 458.
1795. Sullivan. Hist. distr. Maine. app. vi.
1901. Farnham Papers. i: 245.

1647–1664.

INTERREGNUM.

1664–1669.

JAMES, DUKE OF YORK, LORD PROPRIETOR.

1664, Mar. 12. Royal charter to James, Duke of York. 16 Charles II.
1858. Docs. rel. to Colon. Hist. of N. Y. ii: 295–298.
1878. Poore. Charters and Constitutions. i: 783–785.
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1669–1820.

UNDER JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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b. NEW HAMPSHIRE.[a]

1629-1789.

ARRANGEMENT.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Provincial archives.

British rule.

1629–1635. Under jurisdiction of the Council for New England.
1635–1641. Under Royal Charter.
1641–1679. Under jurisdiction of Massachusetts.
1679–1686. Separate province.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
- Executive.
  - Council.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.

1686–1687. Union under Dudley.
1687–1689. Union under Andros.
1689–1692. Under jurisdiction of Massachusetts.
1692–1774. Separate province.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - Council and assembly.
  - House of Representatives.
- Executive.
  - Council.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.

American rule.

1774–1775. Province of New Hampshire.
- Journal of the Provincial Congress.

1776. Colony of New Hampshire.
- Constitution.
  - Statutes.

1776–1789. State of New Hampshire.
- Constitution.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - Council and assembly. } upper house.
  - Senate. }
  - House of representatives (lower house).
- Executive.
  - Council.
  - Presidents.

General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

In New Hampshire, as in so many other States, the State Historical Society was the moving influence for the preservation of public archives. The present collection of New Hampshire Provincial and State Papers is due to the impetus given the subject in New Hampshire by the New Hampshire Historical Society.

Even before the thought of preservation by printing had taken root, however, there had been manifest an anxiety to provide proper care for the original records. As early as 1805 Governor Langdon, in his message of December of that year, urged the preservation of the original acts of the legislature. In 1810

[a] The Commission desire to acknowledge their indebtedness to Mr. Otis G. Hammond, Concord, N. H., for his services in examining this portion of the report.

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he again referred to the necessity of provision against destruction of the State and county records by fire. In 1836 Governor Isaac Hill referred to the propriety of recovering for the State the records of the Council for 1680–1689 and suggested the advisability of a classification and an arrangement of State papers and records. The governor was thereupon authorized to appoint some person to bind and arrange the State records, and, at the same time, the secretary of state was authorized to take steps to recover such papers as had strayed beyond the custody of the State. Inferentially it may be stated that John Farmer received the governor's appointment. His death, which followed soon after, was probably the cause of the cessation of what promised to be an auspicious activity. During the session of June, 1837, the house appointed a committee on public archives, with Moses Norris, jr., chairman. The report of the committee is earnest in its recommendations for the continuance of the work begun by Mr. Farmer. At the opening of the June session of 1838 Govrnor Hill again refers to the work of examination and arrangement of the public archives. From this year to 1854 no documentary reference to this subject is found.

The beginning of the movement which finally resulted in the present New Hampshire Provincial and State Papers is indicated in Governor Nathaniel B. Baker's first message, June, 1854. No further reference, however, is made by him to the subject, nor do his two successors make public any interest in the subject of State records.

Governor Ichabod Goodwin, in his first message, June, 1859, recommends an appropriation for the preservation of State papers. Apparently this recommendation met with no response. The first provision for an appropriation to pay for the publication of early State papers was the resolve approved July 6, 1866. In the following year the first volume of the New Hampshire Provincial and State Papers was published under the editorship of Nathaniel Bouton, of Concord, late recording secretary of the New Hampshire Historical Society. Publication of this series has been continued by the State to the present time. On the following pages contents of the series as well as changes of editors are noted.

Doctor Bouton issued his first volume in 1867, and continued at the rate of about a volume each year until he concluded his labors with the issue of volume 10 in 1877. The work was then allowed to lapse, until, by the discovery of a large body of miscellaneous legislative files, town, and Revolutionary papers, and other archives in the loft and in various storage rooms in the State house by Isaac W. Hammond, then deputy secretary of state, public interest in the records was again aroused. The old joint resolution of 1866 was revived by the legislature and again passed in 1881, authorizing the governor and council to employ some suitable person to collect, arrange, transcribe, and superintend the publication of such portions of the early State and provincial records and other State papers of New Hampshire as the governor might deem proper.

Under this resolution Isaac W. Hammond, of Concord, was appointed editor of State Papers, and issued his first volume, No. 11 of the series, in 1882. He continued in the work until his death in 1890, and eight volumes, Nos. 11 to 18, were published under his direction, and largely by his own personal labors. After Mr. Hammond's death Mr. Albert S. Batchellor, of Littleton, was appointed to the office, and has continued the work to the present time.

Doctor Bouton was allowed a salary of $1,000 a year during his incumbency. Mr. Hammond, his successor, being deputy secretary of state, was unable to devote his whole time to the records, and a plan of compensation was devised, based on the amount of material produced in print. This plan proving satisfactory, and Mr. Batchellor being similarly situated, a lawyer of large prac-

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tice, it still prevails. Hence the amounts received by the editor of State Papers since 1881 have been variable and irregular. For many years the editor of State Papers has been commonly called the "State Historian," but this is not the official title pertaining to the office.

The total amount paid for compensation from 1869 to 1904 has been $33,762.07. The cost of printing the Provincial and State Papers is as follows:

v. 1	$1,051.18	v. 17	$1,658.81
v. 2	2,438.66	v. 18	1,786.80
v. 3	2,653.39	v. 19	1,585.52
v. 4	2,540.02	v. 20	1,802.81
v 5	2,672.77	v. 21	1,889.26
v. 6	2,848.70	v. 22	1,858.56
v. 7	2,554.33	v. 23	1,947.84
v. 8	2,806.94	v. 24	2,410.27
v. 9	2,717.56	v. 25	1,976.79
v. 10	1,870.98	v. 26	1,861.20
v. 11	1,756.66	v 27	1,918.69
v. 12	1,732.26	v. 28	1,590.10
v. 13	1,720.08	v. 29	1,461.27
v. 14	1,998.91		
v 15	2,249.03	Total	57,638.92
v. 16	2,279.63		

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v. 7. 1764 to 1776; including the whole administration of Gov. John Wentworth; the events immediately preceding the Revolutionary war; the losses at the battle of Bunker Hill, and the record of all proceedings till the end of our provincial history. Compiled and edited by N. Bouton, D. D., . . . Nashua: Orren C. Moore, state printer. 1873. xxi, 799 pp.

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1869. N. H. Prov. Papers, iii: 489–490.

SHUTE.

1720, Sept. 7. Instructions for Samuel Shute, governor. 7 Geo. I. Lords Justices; bills of credit.
1869. N. H. Prov. Papers, iii. 813–814.

BURNETT.

1728, Mar. 28. Instructions for William Burnett, governor. 1 Geo. II.
The text of the body of instructions was not found. Sections were found as follows:
Sec. 24. Private acts. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, iv: 541.
Sec. 30. Governor's salary. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, iv: 535.

BELCHER.

1730, Jan. 20. Royal commission for Jonathan Belcher, governor. 3 Geo. II.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 17-24.

[1730.] Instructions. n. d. Geo. II.
The text of the body of the instructions was not found. Sections were found as follows:
Sec. 10. Councillors' absence. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 24.
Sec. 19. Paper money. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 25.
Sec. 22. Issue of bills of credit. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xvii: 25.
Sec. 23. Funding of bills of credit. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 26.
Sec. 24. Private acts. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 26.
Sec. 27. Public accounts. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 26.
Sec. 29. Dates of acts. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 27.
Sec. 30. Transcripts of documents. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 27–28.
Sec. 31. Transcripts of documents. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 28.
Sec. 32. Governor's salary. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, iv: 564.
Sec. 36. Provision for governor's absence. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 28–29.
Sec. 42. Removal of judges. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 29.
Sec. 44. Court procedure. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 29.
Sec. 51. Court of Appeal. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 29–30.
Sec. 52. Court of Appeal. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 30.
Sec. 56. Surveyors General. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 30–31.
Sec. 73. Inventory of arms. 1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 31–32.
Sec. 77. Massachusetts boundary. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, iv: 568.

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1732, May 5. Instructions. 5 Geo. II. Duties.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 45.

1733, Nov. 30. id. 6 Geo. II. Surveyors-General of Customs.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 51–52.

1740, Apr. 2. id. 13 Geo. II. War with Spain.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 103–107.

1740, May 20. id. 13 Geo. II. Letters of Marque.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 109–110.

1740, Aug. 5. id. 14 Geo. II. Bills of credit.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, xviii: 113–115.

1740, Aug. 5. id. 14 Geo. II. Massachusetts boundary.
1890. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 224–226.

BENNING WENTWORTH.

1741, July 3. Royal commission for Benning Wentworth, governor. 15 Geo. II.
1869. N. Y. Hist. Socy. Coll. Pubn. Fund Series, p. 283 et seq. Said to be precisely the same as the commission from Geo. III, with the exception that it indicates the removal of Belcher and the appointment of Wentworth in his stead. (N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 908.)

[1741.] Instructions. n. d. 15 Geo. II.
Text of body of instructions not found. Sections found as follows:
Sec. 10. Councillors' absence. 1871. N. H. Prov. Papers, v: 593.
Sec. 11. Councillors' absence. 1871. N. H. Prov. Papers, v: 593.
Sec. 24. Public revenue. 1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 803–804.
Sec. 29. Governor's salary. 1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 674.
Sec. 32. Governor's successor. 1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 375–376.
Sec. 36. Fines. 1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 365–366.
Sec. 46. Fees. 1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 376.
Sec. 66. Martial law. 1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 294–295.
Sec. 85. Massachusetts boundary. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, v: 595–596.
Sec. 86. Reports of proceedings. 1870. N. H. Prov. Papers, v: 596–597.

1748, June 30. Additional instructions. 22 Geo. II. Election precepts.
1869. Chase. Hist. of Old Chester, 103–104.
1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 82.
1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 339–340.

1758, Dec. 22. Additional instructions. 32 Geo. II. Court salaries.
1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 496–497.

1760, Jan. 7. Instructions. 33 Geo. II. Raising of troops.
1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 506–508.

1761, Apr. 4. Royal commission for Benning Wentworth, governor. 1 Geo. III.
1872. N. H. Prov. Papers, vi: 908–914.

1761, June 30. Instructions for Benning Wentworth, governor, sections 1–90. 1 Geo. III.
1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 532–541.

JOHN WENTWORTH.

1766, Aug. 11. Royal commission for John Wentworth, governor. 6 Geo. III.
1771. 8 pp. Prefixed to N. H. Prov. Laws.
See also note in N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 124.

[1766.] Instructions. n. d. 6 Geo. III.
Text of body instructions not found. Sections found as follows:
unnum. Province survey. 1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 294.
Sec. 5. Freedom of debate in council. 1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 132.
Sec. 11. Councillors' attendance. 1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 132.

1769, June 30. Additional instructions. 9 Geo. III. Lotteries.
1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 231.

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1770, Dec. 10. Additional instructions. Value of foreign coin.
1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 598–599.

1772, Feb. 4. Additional instructions. 12 Geo. III. Nonresident debtors.
1890. N. H. State Papers, xviii: 610.

AMERICAN RULE.

PROVINCE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1774—1775.

Journal of the Provincial Congress.

1. 1774, July 21.
   1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 407–408.
2. 1775, Jan. 25.
   1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 442–444.
3. 1775, Apr. 21–May 2.
   1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 452–467.
4. 1775, May 17–Nov. 15 (sic., incomplete).
   1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 468–511, 535–554, 575–585, 605–609, 638–664.
5. 1775, Dec. 21–1776, Jan. 5.
   1873. N. H. Prov. Papers, vii: 690–710.

Portions of this journal were reprinted in the American Archives as follows:
1775, Jan. 25. ser. 4, i: 1179–1182.
1775, June 27–July 7. ser. 4, ii: 1179–1186.
1775, Oct. 31–Nov. 16. ser. 4, iv: 9–20.

COLONY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1776.

The designation "Colony" was adopted Jan. 5, 1776; name was changed from Colony to State of New Hampshire at the session of Sept. 11, 1776.

CONSTITUTION

1776. Association test.
1874. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 204–296.

1776, Jan. 5. Form of civil government.
This was the first constitution adopted in any of the states.
[1776.] Portsmouth, Fowle. 27 pp. F°. Reprinted by the state.
1780. Laws, pp. 1–4, preface.
1822. Farmer and Moore. Collections, i: 269–272.
1834. N. H. Hist. Socy. Coll., iv: 150–154.
1874. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 2–5.
1877. Poore, Charters, etc. 1279–1280.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

1776. Acts and Laws of the Colony of New Hampshire. Title missing, pp. 3–25. F°.

COMMITTEE OF SAFETY.

Records.
1775–1784. N. H. Hist. Socy. Coll., vii: 1–340.

1775, May 19–Dec. 16. N. H. Hist. Socy Coll., vii: 1–31.
This portion only falls within this period. Portions of these records were reprinted in the American Archives as follows:
1775, May 19–24. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 648.
1775, June 15–30. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 1176–1179.
1775, Sept. 11–Dec. 21. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iv: 1–10.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

1776–1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1779, June 5. Constitutional convention. Declaration of rights and plan of government for the State of New Hampshire.

Proposed constitution, not adopted.
1779. Exeter, Fowle. 2 pp. F°. Reprinted by the State.
1834. N. H. Hist. Socy. Coll., iv: 154–161.
1875. N. H. State Papers, ix: 837–842.

1781–1783. Constitutional convention.

1781. Address of the convention for framing a new constitution. Portsmouth and Exeter, 1781. 63 (1) pp. 12°.
1782. Address of the convention. . . . Exeter, 1782. 63 pp. 12°.
1783. Address of the convention. . . . Portsmouth, 1783. 8 pp. 12°.
1783. Constitution, containing a bill of rights and form of government. Portsmouth, 1783. 47 pp. 12°.
1789. Perpetual Laws, pp. 9–31.
1792. Laws, pp. 22–46. 8° ed.
1792. Laws, pp. 22–43. 4° ed.
1875. N. H. State Papers, ix: 896–919.
1877. Poore, Charters, etc., 1280–1293.
1891. N. H. State Papers, xx: 9–31.
See also Bulletin N. Y. Public Library (1904), viii: 175–176.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILED LAWS.

1780. Acts and Laws. Exeter, vi, 4, 552, 4 pp. F°.

pp. 201–552, 4, are the session laws, 1780–1789.

——. "Acts and Laws of the State of New Hampshire, 1780–1789. Reprinted in photo-facsimile, with a bibliographic note, from the copy collected by Hon. Timothy Walker, now in the Library of Congress, Washington, D. C.. Statute Law Book Co., 1907," folio pp. preliminary pages and pp. 201 to 452 [552] (no title pages and colophon imprints, if any) as follows:

SESSION LAWS.

The session laws subsequently to the collection of 1780 were issued in folios and quartos from time to time, and paged continuously with it, pp. 201–552, 4. The following checklist is made from the facsimile reprints of the session laws of New Hampshire, and has been kindly contributed by Mr. T. L. Cole, of Washington, D. C.

1780, Feb.–Mar. and Apr. 19–29. pp. 201–235.[a] [Exeter: 1780].[b]

11 acts: Recording grants, locations, etc.; Fugitives from justice; Taxes; Appropriation for support of the war; Security for payment to officers and soldiers; Taxing lands; Repealing additional confiscation act; New confiscation act; Disposing of prisoners; Forming and regulating militia; Carrying in execution acts of Congress as to bills of credit.

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[a] In sequence of the pages of the 1780 edition, omitting, however, pages 183–200. This omission is due to the fact that pages 169 to 182 of the edition were printed before pages 201 to 235 of the added laws, and it was thought the copy would necessitate more pages than proved to be the case.

[b] Printed by the printer of the 1780 edition, whose name, however, does not appear.

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1780, June 7–28. pp. 169–182 of 1780 edition.[a]

1780, Oct.–Nov. 1 private act not printed.

1780–81, Dec.–Jan. 2 acts, not printed.

1781, Mar.–Apr. pp. 237–252. No imprint.

10 acts: Fraud in shoes for army; Completing quota of Continental army; Execution for taxes; Recording grants, locations, etc.; To authorize Congress to levy duty; Times for holding courts; Amending tavern act; Regulation of swine; Additional Treason act; Extinguishing fires.

1781, June–July. pp. 253–264. No imprint.

7 acts: Balance due officers and soldiers; Allowing further time for Absentees; State Naval Officer; Repealing Tender acts; Roads; Proprietors of townships, etc.; Court of sessions.

1781, Aug.–Sept. pp. 265–268.[b] No imprint.

3 acts: Tender for debts; Excise on liquors; Raising $100,000 in bills.

1781, Nov. 7–29. pp. 269–272. No imprint.

3 acts: Against Tories, etc. (2); Citizens of New Hampshire imprisoned by pretended State of Vermont.

1781, Dec.–1782, Jan. pp. 273–278. No imprint.

4 acts: Raising money; Liquidating Public Securities; Issuing notes; Smallpox; Premiums for killing Wolves.

1782, Mar. 13–27. pp. 279–287. No imprint.

5 acts: Terms of court; Taverns, etc.; Balance due Officers and Soldiers; Confiscating Estates; Courts of justice.

1782. Mar. 13–27. pp. 289–295. No imprint.

5 acts: Prisoners for debt; Lands under Charters; Additional act against Tories; Prisoners of war; Deserters.

1782, Sept. 10–24 and Dec. 18–28. pp. 297–298. No imprint.

2 acts: Towns in Exeter and Grafton Counties; Excise on Liquors.

1782, Nov. 12–23. [No laws.]

1783, Feb.–Mar. pp. 299–304. No imprint.

5 acts: Lands of Absentees; Regulating Ferries; Deserters; Trustees of Confiscated Estates; Raising 55,000 pounds.

1783, June 10–21. [No laws.]

1783, Oct.–Nov. and Dec.–1784, Jan. pp. 305–311. No imprint.

8 acts: Copyright; Charters of land; Small Debts; Granting Imposts to Congress; Altering Fees; Prisoners for Debt; Executions; Repealing act against Tories.

1784, Mar.–Apr. pp. 313–322. Portsmouth, Robert Gerrish, 1784.

5 acts: Preservation of Fish; Establishing a Light-House; Powder-money; Impost duty; Proportioning Taxes.

1784, June 2–15. pp. 323–330. Exeter, Melcher & Osborne, 1784.

3 acts: Raising 25,000 pounds; Interest and Sinking fund; Taxes and voters.

1784, Oct.–Nov. pp. 331–336. [Exeter] Melcher & Osborne, 1785.

7 acts: Power to Congress as to Imports and Exports; Confiscated Estates; Taxes in unincorporated places; Additional Tax act; Additional Proprietary act; Additional Light-House act; Insolvent Estates.

1785, Feb. 9–25. pp. 337–344. [Exeter] Melcher & Osborne, 1785.

7 acts: The State Seal; Rates of Silver and Gold; Payment of Taxes; Court of Justice; Forms of Oaths; Raising 22,000 pounds; Interest on public Securities.

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[a] These pages were not printed until after pages 201 to 235.

[b] Another issue has pages 265 to 267 only, page 268 being wholly blank. The act for raising $100,000 is omitted in this issue, and the matter of the remaining 3¼ pages is compressed into 3 pages.

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1785, June 1-24 and Oct.-Nov. pp. 345-371. [Portsmouth] R. Gerrish [1785].

11 acts: Jurors; Admeasurement of boards, etc.; Regulating Pilotage; Observation of Lord's-Day; Navigation and Commerce; Congress empowered to regulate Trade and Commerce; Flax-seed, Potash, etc.; Repealing act as to Tories; Imprisonment for Debt; Small Debts; Premium for killing Wolves.

1786, Feb.-Mar. pp. 373-391. No imprint.

13 acts: Taxes on nonresidents; Sheriffs and Town Clerks; High-ways (5); Gun powder act; Payment of Taxes; Supplying Treasury; Time of court; Raising 10,000 pounds; Impost Duties.

1786-87, June 7-29; Sept. 6-23 and Dec.-Jan. pp. 393-350 [440].[a] No imprint.

26 acts: Partition of Land; Linseed oil; Fish act; Costs; Drugs, etc.; Pension to Soldiers; Special Justices; Imprisonment for Debt; Importation of Gold and Silver; Fish act; Militia act; Payment of Continental Debt; Paying $70,-270 to U. S.; Complying with Treaty of Peace; Road to Upper Cohas; Addition to Militia act; Constables and Collectors; Congress to regulate Trade; Raising $76,268 for U. S.; High-ways; Pensions to Soldiers, etc.; Gauging of Casks; Maritime Court; Patents for Engines and Scales; Amending Fees act; Raising money.

1787, June 6-30. pp. 351[441]-362[452]. No imprint.

14 acts: Maintenance of poor; Repealing act repugnant to Treaty of Peace; Set-off (2); Altering times of Court (2); Taverns, etc.; Excise on Liquors; Flax-seed, Potash, etc.; Additional Impost act; Small Debts (2); Line of Mason's Patent; Imprisonment for Debt.

1787, Sept. 12-29. pp. 453-460.[b] No imprint.

5 acts: Slitting Mills; Constables; Flax-seed, etc.; Excise on Liquors and other Articles; Raising 10,000 pounds.

1787, Dec. 5-15. [No laws.]

1788, Jan.-Feb. pp. 461-464. No imprint.

4 acts: High-way from Barnstead to Northwood; Same to Grantham; Raising $59,000; Repealing act as to land of Absentees.

1788, June 4-18. pp. 465-471. No imprint.

5 acts: Providing Impost act; Gauging of Casks; Masonian Proprietors (2); Treasury Notes and Certificates.

1788, Nov. 5-13. pp. 473-476. No imprint.

2 acts: Small-pox; Representatives to Congress.

1788, Dec.-1789, Feb. pp. 477-452[552].[c] No imprint.

20 acts: High-way; Fish acts (4); Sabbath act; Evan's Elevator Hopperboy; Sail cloth; Small-pox; Testate Estates; Intestate Estates; Partition of Lands; Dartmouth College; Courts (2); Raising supplies; Representatives to Congress; Proportioning taxes; Tax rate; Encouraging manufacture of Nails.

COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY OR GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Journal.

1778, Dec. 18-26. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 815-821.

1779, Mar. 10-Apr. 3. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 822-826.

1779, June 16-26. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 827-831.

1779, Oct. 20-Nov. 18. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 832-838.

1779, Dec. 15-Jan. 1, 1780. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 839-846.

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[a] Pages 437 to 440 are misnumbered 347 to 350, evidently due to misplacement of the figures 437 to read 347. This error of 90 pages is continued until September, 1787, page 453.

[b] The error made at page 437 is here corrected.

[c] Another error in paging—an even hundred—pages 517 to 552 misnumbered 417 to 452.

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1780, Feb. 9–Mar. 18. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 847–854.
1780, Apr. 19–29, special. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 855–859.
1780, June 7–28. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 860–868.
1780, Oct. 11–Nov. 11. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 874–879.

1780, Dec. 20–Jan. 27, 1781. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 881–889.
1781, Mar. 14–Apr. 7. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 890–899.
1781, June 13–July 4. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 901–909.
1781, Aug. 22–Sept. 1. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 911–914.
1781, Nov. 7–24. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 915–918.

1781, Dec. 19–Jan. 18, 1782. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 919–932.
1782, Mar. 13–27. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 933–939.
1782, June 11–27. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 940–947.
1782, Sept. 10–14. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 949–951.
1782, Nov. 12–23. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 952–957.

1782, Dec. 18–28. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 958–962.
1783, Feb. 12–Mar. 1. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 964–972.
1783, June 10–20. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 977–984.

SENATE.

Established by the constitution of 1784.

Journal.

1784, June 2–15. Exeter, 1784, pp. 1–19. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 39–53.

1784, Oct. 20–Nov. 11. ib., pp. 21–44.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 93–115.

1785, Feb. 10–24. ib., pp. 45–67.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 163–183.

1785, June 1–23. ib., pp. 3–29.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 305–330.

1785, Oct. 19–Nov. 10. ib., pp. 31–50.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 391–410.

1786, Feb. 1–Mar. 4. ib., pp. 51–79.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 455–483.

1786, June 7–27. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–48. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 579–605.

1786, Sept. 6–23. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–24. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 671–683.

1786, Dec. 13–Jan. 18, 1787. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–52. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 717–747.

1787, June 6–30. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–51. 16°.
N. H. State Papers xxi: 9–33.

1787, Sept. 12–29. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–31. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 91–106.

1787, Dec. 5–15. Portsmouth, 1788, pp. 1–16. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 147–154.

1788, Jan. 23–Feb. 13. Portsmouth, 1788, pp. 1–38. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 173–194.

1788, June 4–18. Portsmouth, 1788, pp. 1–43. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 263–286.

1788, Nov. 5–13. Portsmouth, 1788, pp. 1–21. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 335–344.

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1788, Dec. 24–1789, Feb. 7. Portsmouth, 1789, pp. 1–75. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 365–414.

1789. June 3–19. pp. 5–45. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 553–577.

1789, Dec. 23–Jan. 26, 1790. Portsmouth, 1790, pp. 1–69. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xxi: 631–665.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Journal.

1776, Jan. 5–27. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 1–67.
Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 1-21.

1776, Mar. 6–23. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 78–114.
Amer. Archives, ser. 4, v: 22–36.

1776, June 5–July 6. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 133–199.
Amer. Archives, ser. 5, i: 59–96.

1776, Sept. 4–20. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 319–348.
1776, Oct. 16–19. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 349–357.
1776, Nov. 27–Dec. 13. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 397–419.

1776, Dec. 18–Jan. 18, 1777. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 428–470.
1777, Mar. 12–Apr. 12. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 503–542.
1777, June 4–28. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 571–613.
1777, July 17–19, special. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 629–639.
1777, Sept. 17–27. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 681–699.
1777, Nov. 5–29. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 712–725.

1777, Dec. 17–Jan. 3, 1778. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 737–764.
1778, Feb. 11–Mar. 14. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 766–786.
1778, Aug. 12–22. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii; 787–795.
1778, Oct. 28–Nov. 28. N. H. Prov. Papers, viii: 796–809.

1778, Dec. 16–26. Not printed.
1779, Mar. 10–Apr. 3. Not printed.
1779, June 16–26. Not printed.
1779, Oct. 20–Nov. 19. Not printed.

1779, Dec. 15–Jan. 1, 1780. Not printed.
1780, Apr. 19–29, special. Not printed.
1780, June 7–28. Not printed.
1780, Oct. 11–Nov. 11. Not printed.

1780, Dec. 20–Jan. 27, 1781. Not printed.
1781, Mar. 14–Apr. 7. Not printed.
1781, June 13–July 4. Not printed.
1781, Aug. 22–Sept. 1. Not printed.
1781, Nov. 7–29. Not printed.

1781, Dec. 19–Jan. 18, 1782. Not printed.
1782, Mar. 13–27. Not printed.
1782, June 11–27. Not printed.
1782, Sept. 10–14. Not printed.
1782, Nov. 12–23. Not printed.

1782, Dec. 18–28. Not printed.
1783, Feb. 12–Mar. 1. Not printed.
1783, June 10–21. Not printed.
1783, Oct. 28–Nov. 8. Not printed.

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1783, Dec. 17–Jan. 3, 1784. Not printed.

1784, Mar. 30–Apr. 17. Not printed.

1784, June 2–15. [Exeter, 1784], pp. 1–26. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 57–89.

1784, Oct. 20–Nov. 11. n. t. p., pp. 27–68. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 119–160.

1785, Feb. 9–25. Portsmouth, 1785, pp. 69–104. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 187–223.

1785, June 1–23. pp. 3–54. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 333–388.

1785, Oct. 19–Nov. 19. pp. 55–97. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 413–452.

1786, Feb. 1–Mar. 4. Portsmouth [1786], pp. 99–170. 4°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 487–546.

1786, June 7–27. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 1–78. 16°.
N. H. State Papers, xx: 609–668.

1786, Sept. 6–23. Portsmouth, 1787, pp. 81–116. 16°.
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1788, June 4–18. Portsmouth, 1788, pp. 1–56. 16°.
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1788, June 16–June 2, 1789.

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The government and laws of New Hampshire before the establishment of the Province. 1623–1679. A monograph constituting the introduction to the first volume of the Province Laws, by Albert S. Batchellor. Manchester, 1904. 54 pp. 8°.

A chronological detail of the different forms of government in New Hampshire, from the beginning of its settlement to the present time; with the names of the chief magistrates. 1623–1791.

Belknap, Hist. of N. H., ii app.

Remarks and documents relative to the preservation and keeping of the public archives; by Richard Bartlett.

N. H. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 1–76.

This monograph relates to the subject in general, with, perhaps, particular application to Federal archives, although those of the States are, in a measure, reviewed.

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c. VERMONT.

ARRANGEMENT.

Collections.
Constitution.
Legislative.
  Statutes.
    Compilations.
    Session laws.
  Council of Safety.
  General Assembly.
Executive.
  Governors.
    Register.
  Governor and Council.
    Record.
Judiciary.
  Supreme Court.
New Hampshire Grants.

COLLECTIONS.

Vermont State Papers; being a collection of Records and Documents, connected with the assumption and establishment of government by the people of Vermont; together with the Journal of the Council of Safety, the First Constitution, the Early Journals of the General Assembly, and the Laws from the year 1779 to 1786, inclusive. To which are added the proceedings of the first and second councils of censors. Compiled and published by William Slade, Jun., Secretary of State. Middlebury; J. W. Copeland, Printer. 1823. xx, 9–568 pp. 8°.

Of documents which antedate the constitutional period, the only ones in this volume are the reprints of the Journal of the Council of Safety, 1777–1778.

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CONSTITUTION.

1777. The constitution of Vermont as established by the general convention . . . held at Windsor July 2, 1777. . . . Hartford, 1777. 24 pp. 12°.

1779. Acts and Laws. 12 pp. F°.
1787. Statutes. pp. 5–18. 8°.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc. ii: 1857–1865.

1786. Constitution of Vermont.

1878. Poore. Charters, etc. ii: 1866–1875.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILATIONS.

1783. Revised laws passed June and Oct., 1782. [Bennington, Haswell & Russell, 1783]. 38 pp. F°.

Facsimile of the Revised Laws of the State of Vermont. 1782. Printed by Haswell & Russell, Bennington, 1783. Washington, D. C., Statute Law and Book Co., 1898. cover and 38 pp. F°.

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SESSION LAWS.

1778, Mar. 12–14.
1778, June 4–18.
1778, Oct. 8–24.
} Not known to be extant in ms. or print.[a]

1779, Feb. 11–26. [Dresden, N. H.] Padock and Spooner, 1779. (2), 12, (2), 100, 109–110 pp. F°.

Collation of the original edition, of which 9 copies are known to exist. The copy belonging to the Amer. Antiquarian Socy. is the only known copy having an original title page. The volume was probably originally issued without covers, which might account for the fact that the title page and the last leaf are so often missing. Known as the "General Code of 1779." Contains 103 acts, all but 9 of which are reprinted in Slade. Present market value of perfect volume is estimated at $200.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 287–389.

1779. June 2–4. No imprint. pp. 111–112. 4°.
1779, Oct. 14–27. Hartford, Hudson and Goodwin, 1780. 3ll. 4°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 389–394.
1896. Burlington Book co. 1l. 111–112 pp., 3ll. 4°.

Each of the above two reprints contain both the laws of the June and October sessions.

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[a] It may not be without interest to reprint the remarks of Slade concerning these laws. "Much exertion has been made to obtain a copy of the laws of 1778, but without effect. They were published toward the close of that year, in a pamphlet form, but were never recorded in the Secretary's office. No records appear to have been made in that office until the year 1779; when the Constitution and the laws of that year were recorded. The laws of 1778, were probably declared to be *temporary*—as were the laws of several succeeding years—and ceased to have effect before any records were made. Some of them, indeed, were, obviously, designed to answer a temporary purpose only, such as the acts enacting certain laws *'as they stood on the Connecticut law book;'* and all appear, so far as we can learn from the journals of the legislature, to have possessed the character of mere temporary regulations rather than permanent laws. Some of them were probably reenacted, in substance, in the year 1779, and incorporated in the general code of that year. These considerations may explain the extraordinary fact that the recording of those laws was purposely omitted. It is indeed a subject of regret that any cause should have been thought sufficient to justify a neglect, by which the *first essay* at legislation, by the government of Vermont, has been lost to succeeding generations."

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1780, Mar. 8–16. Hartford, Hudson and Goodwin, 1780. 3ll. F°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 395–398.

1780, Oct. 12–Nov. 8. No imprint. pp. 125–128+[131]. F°.

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Includes 5 acts, or material on pp. 125–129 of original print.
1896. Statute Law Book co. pp. 1–14. F°.
Includes 7 acts, or material on pp. 125–131 of original print.

1781, Feb. 7–23. Westminster, Spooner and Green, n. d. 6ll. F°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 421–424.
1901. Burlington Book co. 6ll. F°.

1781, Apr. 4–16. No imprint. 7ll. F°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 424–430.
1901. Burlington Book co. 7ll. F°.

1781, June 13–28. No imprint. 6ll. F°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 430–439.
1901. Burlington Book co. 6ll. F°.

1781, Oct. 11–27. No imprint. 2ll. F°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 439–444.
1901. Burlington Book co. 2ll. F°.

1782, Jan. 31–Feb. 28. Original print not found.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 444–449.

1782, June 13–21. Original print not found.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 449–455.

1782, Oct. 10–24. Original print not found.
1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 456–467.

1783, Feb. 13–27. Original print not found.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 467–471.

1783, Oct. 9–24. Windsor, Hough and Spooner. 1784. pp. 39–43, 42–43, 46–47 (1)[a]. f°.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 472–483.
1900. Burlington Book co. pp. 39–43, 42–43, 46–47 (1).

1784, Feb. 19–Mar. 9. Windsor, Hough and Spooner. 1784. pp. 49–54. f°.
1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 483–491.
1900. Burlington Book co. pp. 49–54. f°.

1784, Oct. 14–29. Windsor, 1785. 12 pp. f°. [Brinley.]
1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 491–496.

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1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 497–500.

1785, Oct. 13–27. [Windsor, 1785.] 9 pp. f°. [Brinley.]
1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 500–504.

1786, Oct. 12–31. Original print not found.

1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 504–510.

1787, Feb. 15–Mar. 10. Windsor, Hough and Spooner, 1787. 171 pp. 8°.

1787, Oct. 11–27. n. p., n. d. 16 pp. 8°.

1788, Oct. 9–25. n. p., n. d. 28 pp. 8°.

1789, Oct. 8–29. n. p., n. d. 19 pp. 8°.

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[a] Paged in continuation of the revision of 1782.

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COUNCIL OF SAFETY.

Journal.

"On the 2d of July, 1777, the convention that formed the constitution, appointed a Council of Safety, to act until the government should be organized; and it is the journal of this Council which forms a part of this collection. This is the first Council of Safety of whose appointment or proceedings we have any distinct, satisfactory account. That such a body existed previous to the time above mentioned is certain; yet, with respect to the date of its original institution, the number of which it was composed, the method of electing its members, and the extent of the powers it exercised, we are left wholly to conjecture." (Slade. Vermont State Papers, xix.) "We regret that we have been able to find no part of their (Council of Safety) journal of a date anterior to the 15th of August, 1777. The most unremitted efforts to obtain it have proved wholly unavailing, and the result renders it probable that it is irrecoverably lost." (*ib.*, 197.)

1777, July 8–1778, Mar. 12.
1823. Slade. Vermont State Papers, 197–237.

1777, Aug. 15–1778, Mar. 12.
1873. Records Council of Safety and gov. and Council, i: 105–229.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Journals.

1778, Mar. 12–14.
1778, June 4–18.
1778, Oct. 8–24.
} Not contemporaneously printed. Printed 1823, in Slade, Vermont State Papers, 257–285.

1779, Feb. 11–26. Not printed.
1779, June 2–4. Not printed.
1779, Oct. 14–27. Not printed.
1780, Mar. 8–16. Not printed.
1780, Oct. 12–Nov. 8. Not printed.
1781, Feb. 7–23. Not printed.
1781, Apr. 4–16. Not printed.
1781, June 13–28. Not printed.
1781, Oct. 11–27. Not printed.
1782, Jan. 31–Feb. 28. Not printed.
1782, June 13–21. Not printed.
1782, Oct. 10–24. Not printed.
1783, Feb. 13–27. Not printed.
1783, Oct. 9–24. Not printed.
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1787, Oct. 11–27. Not found.
1788, Oct. 9–25. Windsor, Spooner, 1788. 50 pp. 4°.
1789, Oct. 8–29. Windsor, Spooner, 1789. 67 pp. 4°.

COUNCIL OF CENSORS.

Proceedings.

1785–86. Windsor, Hough & Spooner, 1786. 24 pp. 4°.

This was the first council. Contains the address only. Reprinted in Slade, 531–544.

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GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1. Thomas Chittenden, Feb. 1778–Oct. 1789.

Slade continues the list to 1822; Records of Council of Safety, etc. v. 8 continues list of governors, lieut. governors, and secretaries to governor and council to 1836.

GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL.

Record.

COLLECTIONS.

1775–1836. Records of Council of Safety and Governor and Council. Montpelier, 1873–1880. 8v. 8°.

These volumes, in addition to the records above named, contain much material of a miscellaneous nature. All that which falls within the scope of the present compilation has been noted in its proper place.

SESSIONS.

1. Council. 1778, Mar. 12–Sept. 30. Records Council of Safety, etc. i: 231–274.
   1778, Apr. 10–June 17. Slade. Vt. State Papers, 237–240.
2. Council. 1778, Oct.–1779, Oct. ib. i:275–309.
3. Council. 1779, Oct.–1780, Oct. ib. ii:1–39.
4. Council. 1780, Oct.–1781, Apr. 18. ib. ii:40–113.
5. Council. 1781, Oct.–1782, Aug. 29. ib. ii:114–163.
6. Council. 1782, Oct.–1783, Oct. ib. iii:1–22.
7. Council. 1783, Oct.–1784, Oct. ib. iii:23–49.
8. Council. 1784, Oct.–1785, Oct. ib. iii:50–75.
9. Council. 1785, Oct.–1786, Oct. ib. iii:76–100.
10. Council. 1786, Oct.–1787, Oct. ib. iii:100–144.
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12. Council. 1788, Oct.–1789, Oct. ib. iii:166–183.
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BOARD OF WAR.

Record.

1779, Mar. 11–May. Records Council of Safety, etc. i: 294–301.
1779, Oct.–Nov. ib. ii:14–20.
1780, Feb.–Nov. ib. ii:21–61.
1781, Jan.–June. ib. ii:66–113.
1783, Feb. ib. ii:144.

COMMITTEES OF SAFETY.

Proceedings.

Cumberland County.

1774, June–1777. Records Council of Safety, etc. i:313–370.

Gloucester County.

1775–1777. ib. i: 371–375.

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Judicial.

SUPREME COURT.

Records of the Supreme Court, 1778–1782. Slade, 549–556.

"The cases embraced in the records here given, have been *selected* from the *earliest* records of the Supreme Court." (Slade, 549.) List of judges of the Supreme Court, 1778–1822, is given in Slade, 564.

NEW HAMPSHIRE GRANTS.

Territorial Rights of New York; the N. H. Grants, etc. State of the Evidence and Argument in support of the Territorial Rights and Jurisdiction of New York against the Government of New Hampshire and the claimants under it, and against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts: by James Duane, one of the agents and commissioners appointed by the Legislature to manage those controversies.

N. Y. Hist. Socy. Coll. Publication Fund, ser. viii. 1870. 2 pl. 144 pp.

Duane's brief, now first printed from the original MS., was prepared for the expected trial at the federal court instituted in 1784. The trial never took place. The history of the proceedings may be found in the Journals of Congress, from which it appears that after many difficulties the controversy was amicably settled and determined by an agreement entered into on December 16, 1786, between the agents of the States which were parties. Although this document was not used in the previous hearings of the Vermont controversy before Congress, it contains the essence of the New York claims in that affair, which was yet unsettled when it was prepared. In all these transactions Mr. Duane was principal agent and manager on the part of New York.

Collection of evidence in vindication of the territorial rights and jurisdiction of the State of New York against the claims of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and New Hampshire and the people of the grants who are commonly called Vermonters.

Collections of the New York Historical Society. 1869. Publication Fund Series. pp. 277–528.

There are in this collection just 200 pieces, of which but 20 are other than reprints of New York colonial council proceedings. There is no table of contents and only the general index for the entire volume. The pieces not council proceedings are as follows:

1741, July 3. Commission from George II to Benning Wentworth, gov. of N. H. p. 283.

1750, Apr. 25. Letter from Gov. Wentworth to Gov. Clinton of N. Y. p. 285.

1750, June 6. Reply of Gov. Clinton to Gov. Wentworth's of Apr. 25. p. 286.

1750, June 22. Reply of Gov. Wentworth to Gov. Clinton of June 6. p. 287.

1750, July 25. Reply of Gov. Clinton to Gov. Wentworth of June 22. p. 288.

1750, Sept. 2. Reply of Gov. Wentworth to Gov. Clinton of July 25. p. 289.

1773, Mar. 8. An act to appoint commissioners to settle a Line or Lines of Jurisdiction between this Colony and the Province of Massachusetts Bay. p. 319.

1773, May 5. Letters patent of George III confirming the Massachusetts act of April 25, 1772, relative to the boundary between New York and Massachusetts Bay. p. 321.

1773, Apr. 29. Gov. Hutchinson to Massachusetts commissioners of New York and Massachusetts joint boundary commission. p. 323.

1773, May 18. Agreement of joint commissioners. p. 324.

1773, Nov. 5. Report of William Nicoll, appointed to superintend the running out and marking the Boundary line . . . . and of Gerard Bancker surveyor . . . . p. 325.

1664, Sept. 2. Gov. Stuyvesant's answer to the Letter of Summons from the English commissioners. p. 328.

1664, Aug. 27. Articles of agreement between the Dutch and the British in New York. p. 333.

1664, Sept. 24. Articles of agreement between certain Indian Princes and Gov. Nicolls in Albany. p. 336.

1741, June 24. Extr. from proceedings of Court of Commissioners to settle boundaries of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. p. 338.

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1677, May 31. Commission from Thomas Notley, governor of Maryland to Henry Coursey. p. 377.

1692, Oct. 11. Her Majesty's letter to the Governor of Pennsylvania, Benjamin Fletcher, to be assistant in New York. p. 400.

1745, Oct. 7. At a Conference between the Committee of the Council and the Commissioners from the Neighboring Governments at Albany. p. 516.

1674, July 1. Duke of York's appointment of Edmund Andros as governor. p. 523.

1664, Oct. 18. Confirmation by Governor Nicolls of Mr. Jeremias Renzlaers Authority and Privileges in Renzlaerswick. p. 523.

By an act of the legislature of New York of October 21, 1779, James Duane, John M. Scott, and Egbert Benson were appointed commissioners to collect and procure evidence, vouchers, and materials for manifesting and maintaining the boundaries and jurisdiction of the State. The result of their labors is to be found in this collection. The original manuscript of the formal statement of the evidence and argument by James Duane, founded upon these documents, is in the possession of the New York Historical Society.

Records of conventions in the New Hampshire grants for the independence of Vermont. 1776–1777. Reproduced in facsimile from mss. in the Library of Congress, written and attested by J. Fay, clerk of the conventions. . . . Arranged and presented by Redfield Proctor. Washington, D. C., 1904. 26 pp. 52 facs. f°.

Controversy between New York and New Hampshire respecting the territory now the State of Vermont. 1749–1779. pp. 439–624.

Documentary history of the state of New York. O'Callaghan. Vol. 4, no. 14.

Records and Documents, &c. of the controversy with New York, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire, negotiations with Canada, and proceedings relative to admission into the Union. (Slade. Vt. State Papers, 1–196.)

In addition to these papers there is a more or less miscellaneous collection of papers, largely nonofficial, in the appendices to the various volumes of the Records of the Council of Safety, etc. 1873–1880. 8 vols.

The controversy between New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont, relating to the "New Hampshire grants" (so called) from 1749 to 1791; including the troubles in border towns on both sides of the Connecticut River.

N. H. Prov. Papers, x: 197–500.

A narrative of the proceedings subsequent to the royal adjudication, concerning the lands to the westward of Connecticut River. . . . New York, J. Holt, 1773. 28 [66] pp. 8°.

A state of the right of the colony of New York, with respect to its eastern boundary on Connecticut River. . . . New York, H. Gaine, 1773. 28 pp. 8°.

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ARRANGEMENT.

BRITISH RULE.

Plymouth Colony, 1620–1692.
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Inter-charter period, 1686–1692.

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Provincial government, 1774–1776.
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1776 to 1789.
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1620–1692.

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v. 8. Misc. records. 1633–1689. 1 p. l., v. 1 l., 283 pp.

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Recommendation that the Secretary of the Commonwealth be directed to discontinue work of printing the Plymouth Records on completion of the volume of Miscellaneous Records. (Govs. mess. Jan. 1857: 34.)
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4. 1711, Aug. 22–25. } Probably not contemporaneously printed.
5. 1711, Oct. 17–Nov. 10.
6. 1711/12, Mar. 12–21.

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1. 1712, May 28–June 14.
2. 1712, Aug. 20–22.
3. 1712, Oct. 22–Nov. 8.
4. 1712/13, Dec. 31–Jan. 6.
5. 1712/13, Mar. 18–26.

} Probably not contemporaneously printed.

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1. 1713, May 27–June 30.
2. 1713, Aug. 5–8.
3. 1713, Oct. 14–Nov. 10.
4. 1713/14, Feb. 10–24.

} Probably not contemporaneously printed.

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1. 1714, May 26–June 25. n. t. p. pp. 241–247 (1). F°.
2. 1714, Sept. 29–Oct. 2. No acts passed.
3. 1714, Oct. 20–Nov. 5 [15?]. n. t. p. pp. 249–252. F°.

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1. 1715, May 25–June 21. [Boston, 1715.] pp. 253–254. F°.
2. 1715, July 20–Aug. 1. [Boston, 1715.] pp. 255–258. F°.
3. 1715, Aug. 24–27. No acts passed.
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2. 1716, Aug. 1–3. No acts passed.
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4. 1716/17, Apr. 10–12. No acts passed.

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1. 1720, May 25–30. No acts passed.

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3. 1720/21, Mar. 15–31. Boston, Green, 1721. pp. 338–345 (1). F°.

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3. 1721/22, Mar. 2–27. No acts passed.

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4. 1724, Apr. 22–23. No acts passed.

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1742–1754. [Acts and laws] passed by the . . . General Court . . . Begun . . . 26. of May, 1742 [–17. of Oct., 1754.] n. t. p. [Colophons: p. 76, etc., Boston, 1743–53; p. 442, Same, 1754.] 75–205, 4, 207–354, 363–403, 425–452 pp. 4° & F°.

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1755. Temporary acts and laws of His Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts-Bay. . . . Boston, 1755. 1 p. l., 8, 166 pp. 4°.

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1755–1762. Acts and laws passed by the . . . General Court . . . Begun . . . 28 of May, 1755 [–26. of May, 1762.] n. t. p. [Colophons: p. 180, etc.: Boston, 1755–62.] pp. 167–480, 485–494, 499–550. 4°.

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3. 1788, Feb. 27–Apr. 1. Not printed.

CV.

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The state consisted originally of four towns. Providence, settled in 1636; Portsmouth in 1638; Newport in 1639; Warwick in 1642. The executive heads of Portsmouth and Newport were entitled judges until 1640, when these two towns were united, and the chief officer thereof was thereafter called governor. Providence and Warwick had no executive head until 1647.

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JUDGE.

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1639, Apr. 30–1640, Mar. 12. William Hutchinson.

NEWPORT.

JUDGE.

1639, Apr. 28–1640, Mar. 12. William Coddington.

PORTSMOUTH AND NEWPORT.

GOVERNOR.

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Executive.

UNDER PATENT OF 1643.

Presidents.

1647, May. John Coggeshall.
1648, May. Jeremy Clarke.
1649, May. John Smith.
1650, May. Nicholas Easton to Aug. 1651.

UNDER SEPARATION OF TOWNS.

In 1651 a separation occurred between the towns of Providence and Warwick on the one side, and Portsmouth and Newport on the other.

PROVIDENCE AND WARWICK.

Presidents.

1651, Oct. Samuel Gorton.
1652, May. John Smith.
1653, May. Gregory Dexter.

PORTSMOUTH AND NEWPORT.

President.

1653, May. John Sanford to May 1654.

UNDER REESTABLISHED UNION.

1654, May. Nicholas Easton.
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REGISTER.

1663. Nov. Benedict Arnold.
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1676, May. Walter Clarke.
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1678, Nov. John Cranston.
1680, Mar. Peleg Sanford.
1683, May. William Coddington, jr.
1685, May. Henry Bull.
1686, May. Walter Clarke to June 29.

INTERCHARTER PERIOD.

1686-1689.

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1650. Edward Hopkins.
1651. John Haynes.
1652. Edward Hopkins.
1653. John Haynes.
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1655. Thomas Welles.
1656. John Webster.
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1698. Fitz John Winthrop.
1708. Gurdon Saltonstall.
1725. Joseph Talcott.
1742. Jonathan Law.
1751. Roger Wolcott.
1754. Thomas Fitch.
1766. William Pitkin.
1769–1784. Jonathan Trumbull.

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL.

Journal.

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PREFATORY NOTE.

The foundation of the New York Historical Society in 1804 may be recorded as the inception of public interest in New York in the preservation of historical material relating to the State. An outline of the efforts of the society to promote this interest, and of the enterprises on the part of the State in this field follows. Governor Clinton had already addressed the General Assembly in a message at the winter session of 1804, recommending the transcription of the journals and records of the Provincial Congress. This he urged because of the "deranged and decayed condition of those valuable documents." Governor Clinton continued to act in concert with every effort that was made for the preservation of the archives of New York.

In 1804 a law was passed directing the translation of the Dutch records then in the office of the secretary of state. These records commenced in 1638 and continued to 1664, the year in which subjection to England took place. In addition there were the records of the period of Dutch possession from the conquest in 1673 to the surrender under the peace of Westminster of February 9, 1674. Some work toward the completion of an index to these records had been begun by Benjamin Ford. Legislative sanction to continue and to compensate these labors was petitioned for in communications made in 1806 by Thomas Tillotson, Elisha Jenkins, and Simeon De Witt. No efficient measure was, however, adopted toward the accomplishment of these objects until February 7, 1818, when Francis Adrian Van Der Kemp, in the words of Governor Clinton, "a gentleman of eminent learning and talents, and distinguished worth," entered upon the office of translator, in pursuance of instructions given by Governor Clinton for that purpose. As a result of the industry of Mr. Van Der Kemp there were deposited in the office of the secretary of state twenty-four folio volumes of translations. On January 22, 1822, no provision for the purpose having been made in the act of 1804, Governor Clinton recommended the preparation of an index to these volumes. The select committee, to whom the governor's message was referred, made a favorable report on February 1, following, which was referred to the committee of the whole. No further action was taken.

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1822. Gov. Clinton's message relative to index to Dutch ms. records. (Assem. jol., Jan. sess., 1822: 246.)

1832. Report of secretary of state relative to transfer of the archives and documents of the Assembly of the State of New York, 1778–1831, to the office of the Secretary of State. 12 pp. (Assem. Doc. 302, 1832, v. 4.)

Brief general description of papers removed to secretary's office and of the disposition of the remaining papers. The greater part of the report relates to conspiracy to defraud the State by the mutilation of one of the transferred documents.

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In 1814 the New York Historical Society memorialized the legislature, in a document prepared by DeWitt Clinton, on the necessity and importance of searching European archives for material for a history of the State. The memorial was read on March 4, 1814, both in the Senate and in the Assembly, and in each case was referred to a select committee. Both committees failed to make returns.

A second memorial was submitted by the society in 1839, again urging the importance of securing official documents from European sources. An appropriation and the appointment of an agent to do the work was asked for. Governor Seward, in transmitting the memorial, sent with it a special message of recommendation. As a result, a special committee was appointed by the House. After reviewing the situation in other States in comparison with that of New York, and emphasizing New York's backwardness, an appropriation of $4,000 was asked for. Loring D. Chapin was chairman of the committee, the other members being Messrs. Clarke and Olney.

JOHN ROMEYN BRODHEAD.

1839–1845.

As a consequence of the Chapin report of 1839 a bill was passed May 2, 1839, authorizing the appointment of an agent to visit England, Holland, and France to secure copies of all desirable documents, to be deposited in the office of the secretary of state, subject to the use of the New York Historical Society. Four thousand dollars were appropriated to this object.

In January, 1841, J. Romeyn Brodhead was selected as such agent. On March 27 following he received specific instructions from Governor Seward, and on May 1 he sailed for Europe. During the following October Brodhead made a report of progress to Governor Seward. A message from Governor Seward, of date of March 25, 1842, announced that the moneys appropriated under act of May 2, 1839, were nearly exhausted, and a contingent provision for the continuation of the agency was asked for. A second appropriation was thereupon allowed, on April 11, 1842, of $3,000.

On March 30, 1842, the Governor communicated to the legislature correspondence, received from Mr. Brodhead, and which had passed between the Hon. Edward Everett, American ambassador in London and Lord Aberdeen, H. B. M. Secretary of the Foreign Office. Presently Brodhead's second report was received and communicated to the legislature together with the governor's message of August 16, 1842. Accompanying this report is a very good list of documents relating to the colony of New York then to be found in the archives in London.

In his message of January, 1843, Governor Seward urged a further grant of money to Brodhead, and on April 13, 1843, the third appropriation was allowed. The amount in this case was $5,000, the total now aggregating $12,000. In the next year, 1844, a select committee, of which Sidney Lawrence was chairman, made a report which was most emphatic in its opposition to further financial aid to Brodhead, and which severely criticised his work. This report was referred to the committee on public printing by whom five times the usual number were ordered to be printed of the Lawrence report.

Brodhead embarked for home on July 7, 1844, arriving early in August. From that time until February, 1845, when he made his third and final report to the governor, he occupied himself in New York City with the arrangement, etc., of the material which he had brought with him. The final report is a volume of 374 pages, the larger portion of which is taken up with a "Calendar of Holland documents, in the office of the secretary of state at Albany, etc."

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This report, together with the governor's message transmitting it, was referred to a special committee, which reported on May 5, 1845. The documents remained for several years in the condition in which they had been deposited in the office of the secretary of state by Mr. Brodhead.

A deficiency appropriation of $1,390.98 was allowed under chapter 246, laws of 1845, bringing the total expense for the collection of documents up to $13,390.98.

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1844. Report of select committee (Lawrence). 11 pp. (Sen. Docs., 1844, v. 1: 42.)

1845. Brodhead's third and final report. 374 pp. (Sen. Docs., 1845, v. 1: 47.)

1845. Rept. select committee (Folsom). 16 pp. (Sen. Docs., 1845, v. 2: 111.)

E. B. O'CALLAGHAN.

1849–1856.

COLONIAL HISTORY.

On March 13, 1849, an "act to provide for the publication of certain documents relating to the colonial history of the State" was passed. Mr. J. R. Brodhead at once wrote to the secretary of state tendering his services in the superintendence of the publication. His offer being declined, Doctor O'Callaghan, then employed in the office of the secretary of state in the arrangement of manuscripts and the preparation of the Documentary History, was selected for the task by the governor and by Mr. Secretary Morgan.

Pursuant to Assembly resolution, the governor and secretary of state made a report on February 13, 1851, on the progress, expenses, etc., of the publication of the Colonial History. An opposition to further expenditures for this purpose is plainly indicated in the act introduced in the same year for the repeal of the act of March 13, 1849. The abandonment of the printing of the documents, intended by the act, was averted by its failure. No definite appropriation had so far been made for the publication of the Colonial History. Doctor O'Callaghan and two permanent assistants had been employed on a salary under the secretary of state, but their duties were not exclusively confined to the Colonial History. They were also occupied in the preparation of the Documentary History already ordered printed. In 1852, chapter 407, an appropriation of $15,000 for publication and of $600 for translation was made. This was followed in 1854, chapter 290, by an appropriation of $20,000 for publication and of $1,700 for translation, and a second appropriation in the same year, chapter 397, of $1,400 for translation. In 1855, chapter 538, a further $1,400 was allowed for translation. In 1856, chapter 168, the publication of the work was transferred to the charge of the regents of the University. The amount appro-

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priated by these several laws on account of the Colonial History is $53,490.98, leaving a balance paid from appropriations for printing on account of legislative documents of $54,010.82, the aggregate sum expended for this work therefore being $107,501.80.

References.

1851. Communication from gov. and secy. of state. 3 pp. (Assem. docs., 1851, v. 3: 66.)

1851. Contracts with Doctor O'Callaghan for the translation and with the printers for publishing the Colonial History. (Ann. rept. comptroller, 1851–2: 108–110.)

1853. Rept. of comptroller in relation to expenses of Colonial History; together with letter from E. B. O'Callaghan. 14 pp. (Sen. docs., 1853, v. 1: 24.)

1857. Stmt. of secy. of state relative to disposal of copies of the Colonial History. 2 pp. (Assem. docs., 1857, v. 2: 70.)

DOCUMENTARY HISTORY.

An Assembly resolution of 1848 authorized the Secretary of State to submit copies of such historical documents in his office as might be of public interest. Doctor O'Callaghan, then employed in the secretary's office, was directed by him to prepare such papers. These were afterwards published as the Documentary History. Between January 4, 1849, and April 15, 1852, some ten resolutions to print copies of the Documentary History were passed. By these resolutions there had been ordered 32,611 copies of the first volume, 24,721 copies of the second volume, 31,531 copies of the third volume, and 8,151 copies of the fourth volume. Of this number there were published, including a uniform edition of 3,000 copies of each volume of the quarto edition, 29,422 copies of the first volume, 30,000 copies of the second volume, 27,678 copies of the third volume, and 13,137 copies of the fourth volume, the total expense being $199,309.86.

References.

1852. Rept. comptroller on expenses of printing the Documentary History. 3 pp. (Sen. docs., 1852, v. 1: 5.)

1854. Communication from the Secy. of State relative to total no. of copies ordered and printed of Documentary History. 64 pp. (Assem. docs., 1854, v. 4: 136.)

1857. Rept. of secy. of state re expense of printing the Documentary and Colonial Histories. 4 pp. (Assem. docs., 1857, v. 2: 134.)

1857. Rept. of comptroller relative to printing the Documentary and Colonial Histories. 5 pp. (Assem. docs., 1857, v. 2: 81.)

BERTHOLD FERNOW.

1876–1889.

Before 1876 Mr. Fernow's work on manuscripts had been quite desultory and confined to family documents. In December, 1875, the Hon. John Bigelow, secretary of state elect, asked Mr. Fernow to come with him to Albany as clerk in charge of the historical records in the secretary's office. Mr. Fernow remained in this position during Mr. Bigelow's term of office, 1875–1877, having translated and edited Volume XII of the Documents relating to the Colonial History of New York.

When Gen. Joseph E. Carr was elected secretary of state in 1879, Mr. Fernow was reappointed to the office of Custodian of Historical Records. During General Carr's term of service, and with his help, Mr. Fernow had the law passed transferring all the historical records in the offices of the secretary of state and of the comptroller to the State Library. The trustees of the library,

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regents of the University, being directed and authorized to appoint a custodian of the records, appointed Mr. Fernow. In this position he remained until his resignation, April 1, 1889.

During Mr. Fernow's incumbency of this office the State published as his work Volumes XIII and XIV of the Documents of the Colonial History of New York and Volume I State Archives, New York in the Revolution.

STATE ARCHIVIST.

1889–1907.

Upon Mr. Fernow's resignation, in 1889, his work was at once assumed by Mr. George R. Howell, with the title of "Archivist" in the State Library. Mr. Howell held this position until his death, on April 5, 1899. He was immediately succeeded by the present archivist, Mr. A. J. F. van Laer, who was officially appointed on June 12, 1899. This post is under the jurisdiction of the State Library.

STATE HISTORIAN.

1895–1907.

HUGH HASTINGS.

Pursuant to chapter 393, laws of 1895, the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, appoints a state historian. His duty shall be to collect collate, compile, edit, and prepare for publication all official records, memoranda, and data relative to the colonial wars, war of the revolution, war of 1812, Mexican war, and war of the rebellion, together with all official records, memoranda, and statistics affecting the relations between New York and foreign powers, between New York and other States, and between New York and the United States.

The annual reports which have been made by the state historian are listed on pages 363–365.

1907.

VICTOR HUGO PALTSITS.

Early in the summer of 1907 Mr. Paltsits succeeded, by appointment, the late incumbent, Mr. Hastings.

COLLECTIONS.

Documents relative to the Colonial History of the State of New York; procured in Holland, England, and France, by John Romeyn Brodhead, Esq., Agent, under . . . an act of Legislature . . . to appoint an agent to procure . . . documents in Europe, relative to the Colonial History of the State, passed May 2, 1839. Published under . . . an act of Legislature . . . passed April 12, 1856. Edited by E. B. O'Callaghan, M. D. With a general introduction by the Agent. Albany: Weed, Parsons and Co., printers. 1856–1883.

Vol. 3 contains an introduction written by Brodhead on the history of the office of secretary of state of England with lists of the principal secretaries and the under secretaries, a history of the board of trade and plantations and of the state paper office.

v. 1. 1856. Transcripts of documents in the royal archives at The Hague and in the stad-huys of the city of Amsterdam. Holland documents: i–viii. 1603–1656. pp. i–lxx, 1–646. 3 maps.

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v. 2. 1858. Same, and in the office of the secretary of state, Albany, New York. Holland documents: viii–xvi. 1657–1678. pp. i–xix, 1–770, 1 l.

v. 3. 1853. Transcripts of documents in the Queen's State Paper Office; in the office of the Privy Council; in the British Museum; and in the library of the Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth, in London. London documents: i–viii. 1614–1692. pp. i–xxv, 1–862.

v. 4. 1854. London documents: ix–xvi. 1693–1706. pp. i–xix, 1–1192, 1 l.

v. 5. 1855. London documents: xvii–xxiv. 1707–1733. pp. i–xix, 1–985.

v. 6. 1855. London documents: xxv–xxxii. 1734–1755. pp. i–xx, 1–1028.

v. 7. 1856. London documents: xxxiii–xl. 1756–1767. pp. i–xvi, 1–1006, 1 l.

v. 8. 1857. London documents: xli–xlvii. 1768–1782. pp. i–xix, 1–817.

v. 9. 1855. Transcripts of Documents in the Archives of the "Ministère de la Marine et des Colonies;" of the "Ministère de la Guerre," and in the "Bibliothèque du Roi," at Paris. Paris documents: i–viii. 1631–1744. pp. i–xxi. 1 p. l., 1–1112.

v. 10. 1858. Paris documents: ix–xvii. 1745–1774. pp. i–xxi, 1–1167.

v. 11. 1861. General index to the documents relative to the colonial history of the state of New York, published under . . . an act of the Legislature . . . in relation to the colonial history . . . passed April 12, 1856; April 13, 1857; April 2, 1858. Prepared by E. B. O'Callaghan, M. D. Albany, Weed, Parsons & Co., printers. 1861. pp. 1–686, 1 l.

v. 12. 1877. Documents relating to the history of the Dutch and Swedish Settlements on the Delaware River, Translated and compiled from original manuscripts in the office of the Secretary of State, at Albany, and in the royal archives, at Stockholm, By B. Fernow, Keeper of the Historical Records. Albany: The Argus Company, printers. 1877. pp. i–l, 1–669.

v. 13. 1881. Documents relating to the history and settlements of the towns along the Hudson and Mohawk rivers (with the exception of Albany), from 1630 to 1684. And also illustrating the relations of the settlers with the Indians. Translated, compiled, and edited from the original records in the office of the Secretary of State, at Albany, and other sources, under direction of the Hon. Jos. B. Carr, Secretary of State, by B. Fernow, Keeper of the Historical Records. Albany, N. Y., Weed, Parsons & Co., printers, 1881. pp. i–xxxii, 1–617.

v. 14. 1883. Documents relating to the history of the early colonial settlements principally on Long Island, with a map of its western part, made in 1666. Translated, compiled, and edited from the original records in the Office of the Secretary of State and the State Library, under direction of the Hon. Jos. B. Carr, Secretary of State, by B. Fernow, Keeper of the Historical Records. Albany, N. Y., Weed, Parsons & Co., 1883. pp. i–xxxiii, 1–800. 1 map.

Report of the Secretary of State, relative to the records, etc., in his office. Jan. 4, 1820. (N. Y. Senate doc. 2, 1820.) 43 pp. 4°.

Catalogue of historical papers and parchments received from the office of the Secretary of State, and deposited in the New-York State Library. Made by the Regents of the University Feb. 13, 1849. Albany: Weed, Parsons & Co., public printers, 1849. 55 pp. 8°. (N. Y. Assembly, doc. 148.)

Report of the Regents of the University on the Historical and other papers and parchments received from the office of the Secretary of State for deposit in the State Library. 3 pp.

Extracts from a Report of John G. Palfrey, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Mass., to the Legislature, dated Jan. 8, 1845. pp. 5–7.

Manuscripts, received from the office of the Secretary of State, and deposited in the State Library, in pursuance of a joint resolution of the Senate and Assembly, passed Dec. 15, 1847. pp. 9–55.

Calendar of N. Y. colonial manuscripts indorsed land papers; in the office of the Secretary of State of New York. 1643–1803. Albany: Weed, Parsons & Co., printers and publishers, 1864. 1087 pp. 8°.

Calendar of historical manuscripts in the office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N. Y. Edited by E. B. O'Callaghan. Albany: Weed, Parsons & Co., printers, 1865–1866. 2 vols. 4°.

Part 1. Dutch manuscripts. 1630–1664. pp. i–xi, 1–423.

Part 2. English manuscripts. 1664–1776. pp. i–xiv, 1–893.

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Part 1—

Calendar of register of Provincial Secretary's Office, 1638–1662, in 3 ms. vols. pp. 1–60.

Calendar of Council Minutes, 1638–1665, in 7 ms. vols. pp. 61–269.

Calendar of Correspondence, 1646–1665, in 5 ms. vols. pp. 269–308.

Calendar of Ordinances, Writs and Fort Orange Records, 1647–1664, in 1 ms. vol. pp. 309–327.

Calendar of Curaçao papers, 1640–1665, in 1 ms. vol. pp. 327–335.

Calendar of Delaware papers, 1645–1681, in 4 ms. vols. pp. 335–363.

Land papers (Patents and Deeds), 1630–1664, in 2 ms. vols. pp. 364–387.

Part 2. Calendar of English manuscripts, 1664–1776.

Pursuant to Senate resolution of April 24, 1863, 500 copies of this calendar were printed. In the preface to part 1 is given a list of manuscripts then wanting to complete this series of records.

Catalogue of records of the office of Secretary of State with information pertaining to the office. Compiled by F. G. Jewett. Albany: Brandow prtg. co., 1898. 142 pp. 5 plates. 8°.

The plates are black and white copies of the arms and great seal of the State as established by the laws of 1882, and copies of variants of earlier arms of the State.

The Documentary History of the State of New York; arranged under direction of the Hon. Christopher Morgan, Secretary of State. By E. B. O'Callaghan, M. D. 4 vols.

There are two editions of this collection, viz, one octavo and one quarto.

Quarto edition.

v. 1 1850. Albany, Weed, Parsons and Co. 536 pp. maps and illus.

no. 1. Papers relating to the Iroquois and other Indian tribes. 1666–1763. pp. 9–26.

no. 2. Papers relating to the first settlement at Onondaga, and the discovery of the salt springs at Salina. 1654–1658. pp. 27–40.

no. 3. Papers relating to De Courcelles' and De Tracy's expeditions against the Mohawk Indians. 1665–1666. pp. 41–56.

no. 4. Reports on the province of New York. 1669, 1678. pp. 57–62.

no. 5. Papers relating to M. de la Barre's expedition to Hungry Bay, Jefferson co. 1684–1685. pp. 63–92.

no. 6. Gov. Dongan's report on the province of New York. 1687. pp. 93–118.

no. 7. Papers relating to M. de Denonville's expedition to the Genesee country and Niagara. 1687. pp. 119–169.

no. 8. Names of the male inhabitants of Ulster county. 1689. pp. 171–175.

no. 9. Papers relating to the invasion of New-York and burning of Schenectady by the French. 1690. pp. 177–195.

no. 10. Civil list of the province of New York. 1693. pp. 197–204.

no. 11. Papers relating to count de Frontenac's expedition against the Onondagoes. 1696. pp. 205–226.

no. 12. New York army list. 1700. pp. 227–236.

no. 13. Census of the counties of Orange, Dutchess, and Albany. 1702, 1714, 1720. pp. 237–246.

no. 14. Cadwallader Colden on the lands of New York. 1732. pp. 247–256.

no. 15. Papers relating to the Susquehannah river. 1683–1757. pp. 257–274.

no. 16. Papers relating to the early settlement at Ogdensburgh, New York. 1749. pp. 275–286.

no. 17. Papers relating to the first settlement and capture of Fort Oswego. 1727–1756. pp. 287–326.

no. 18. Papers relating to the Oneida country and Mohawk valley. 1756, 1757. pp. 327–344.

no. 19. Papers relating to the French seigniories on Lake Champlain. pp. 345–376.

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no. 20. Boundary line between the whites and Indians. 1765. Deed executed at Fort Stanwix, Nov. 5, 1768, establishing a boundary line between the whites and Indians of the northern colonies. pp. 377–382.

no. 21. Papers relating to the city of New York. pp. 383–408.

no. 22. Papers relating to Long Island. pp. 409–464.

no. 23. Statistics of the population of the province of New York. 1647–1774. pp. 465–474.

no. 24. Statistics of revenue, imports, exports, etc. 1691–1768. pp. 475–482.

no. 25. Papers relating to the trade and manufactures of the province of New York. 1705–1757. pp. 483–500.

no. 26. Report of Governor William Tryon on the state of the province of New York. 1774. pp. 501–526.

v. 2. 1850. Albany: Weed, Parsons and co. 4 ll., 711 pp. maps and illus.

no. 1. Papers relating to the administration of Lieut. Gov. Leisler. 1689–1691. pp. 1–250.

no. 2. Rate lists of Long Island. 1675, 1676, & 1683. pp. 251–314.

no. 3. Manuscripts of Sir William Johnson. pp. 315–584.

no. 4. A short treatise on the application of steam, whereby is clearly shewn from actual experiments that steam may be applied to propel boats or vessels of any burthen against rapid currents with great velocity, etc. . . . By James Rumsey of Berkeley County, Virginia. 1788. pp. 585–640.

no. 5. Papers relating to western New York. pp. 641–692.

v. 3. 1850. Albany: Weed, Parsons and co. 4 ll., 748 pp. maps and illus.

no. 1. Champlain's expeditions to northern and western New York. 1609–1615. pp. 1–16.

no. 2. Papers relating to the first settlement of New York by the Dutch. pp. 17–42.

no. 3. Papers relating to the restoration of New York to the English; and to the charges against captain Manning for its previous surrender to the Dutch. 1674, 1675. pp. 43–66.

no. 4. Papers relating to the state of religion in the province. 1657–1712. pp. 67–84.

no. 5. Papers relating to Kings county, Long Is. pp. 85–116.

no. 6. Papers relating to the churches in Queens county. pp. 117–206.

no. 7. Papers relating to Suffolk county. pp. 207–238.

no. 8. Papers relating to the city of New York. pp. 239–324.

no. 9. Papers relating to the palatines and to the first settlement of Newburgh, Orange county. pp. 325–364.

no. 10. Papers relating to the manor of Livingston, including the first settlement of Schoharie. 1680–1795. pp. 365–502.

no. 11. Census of slaves. 1755. pp. 503–522.

no. 12. Papers relating to Albany and adjacent places. pp. 523–554.

no. 13. Papers relating to Westchester county. pp. 555–579.

no. 14. Papers relating to Ulster and Dutchess counties. pp. 580–602.

no. 15. Papers relating to Quakers and Moravians. pp. 603–624.

no. 16. Rev. Gideon Hawley's journey to Oghquaga, (Broome co.). 1753. pp. 625–634.

no. 17. State of anglo-american church in 1776, by Rev. Charles Inglis, Rector of Trinity Church, N. Y., and afterwards bishop of Nova Scotia. With notes by the editor. pp. 635–646.

no. 18. Prices of land in the state of New York. 1791. pp. 647–658.

no. 19. Report of a committee appointed to explore the western waters in the state of New York, for the purpose of prosecuting the inland lock navigation. 1792. pp. 659–670.

no. 20. Journal of the Rev. John Taylor's missionary tour through the Mohawk and Black river countries in 1802. pp. 671–696.

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no. 22. Appendix. pp. 701–714.

no. 23. Medals and Coins. illus. pp. 715–720.

no. 24. Miscellany. pp. 721–728.

v. 4. 1851. Albany: Charles Van Benthuysen. xvii, (1), 700 pp. illus.

1. Journal of New Netherland, 1647. Written in the years 1641, 1642, 1643, 1644, 1645, and 1646. pp. 1–12.

2. A description of New Netherland in 1644, by Father Isaac Jogues, Jesuit missionary. pp. 13–18.

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3. Information relative to taking up land in New Netherland, by Cornelius Van Tienhoven, secretary of the province. 1650. Translated from the Dutch. pp. 19–26.

4. Journal of the second Esopus war; by Capt. Martin Kregier. With an account of the massacre at Wildwyck (now Kingston), and the names of those killed, wounded, and taken prisoners by the Indians on that occasion. 1663. (Translated from the original Dutch ms.) pp. 27–62.

5. Extracts from a work called Breeden Raedt aen de vereenighde Nederlandsche Provintien. Printed in Antwerp in 1649. (Translated from the Dutch Original by Mr. C. Amsterdam, 1850. Fr. Muller.) pp. 63–72.

6. Description of New Netherland 1671. (Translated from De Nieuwe en Onbekende Weereld: of Beschryving van America en't Zuidland; door Arnoldus Montanus. Amsterdam, 1671.) pp. 73–84.

7. Trial for witchcraft. pp. 85–88.

8. Assessment rolls of the five Dutch towns in King's county, Long Is. 1675. (Translated from the Original Dutch ms.) pp. 89–104.

9. State of the province of New York. 1675 [sic i. e., 1738.] pp. 105–156.

10. Reasons in support of triennial elections in the province of New York with the King's veto on the triennial act. 1738. pp. 157–166.

11. Journals of Sir Wm. Johnson's scouts. 1755, 1756. pp. 167–186.

12. Papers relating principally to the conversion and civilization of the six nations of Indians, interspersed with letters on other subjects of public interest. 1642–1776. pp. 187–322.

13. Fort Stanwix. pp. 323–328.

14. Controversy between New York and New Hampshire, respecting the territory now the state of Vermont. pp. 329–624.

15. Memoir of the Hon. James De Lancey, lieutenant governor of the province of New York, by Edward F. de Lancey. pp. 625–640.

16. Memoir of the Hon. James Duane, judge of the district court of the United States for New York, by Hon. Samuel W. Jones. pp. 641–654.

17. Proclamation of the last of the royal governors of New York. pp. 655–658.

18. A memorial concerning the Iroquois or Five Confederate Nations of Indians in the province of New York. . . . Humbly addressed to the Right Honorable, the Earl of Hillsborough. By Rev. Charles Inglis, of Trinity Church, N. Y. pp. 659–676.

Octavo edition.

v. 1. 1849. Albany, Weed, Parsons and co. 786 (1) pp.
v. 2. 1849. Same. 5 ll., 1211 pp.
v. 3. 1849. Same. 4 ll., iv, 2 ll., 1215 pp.
v. 4. 1851. Albany, Chas. Van Benthuysen. xxii, (2), 5, 1144 pp.

The sequence of the contents is the same as in the quarto edition, though, naturally, the paging varies.

ANNUAL REPORT STATE HISTORIAN.

[1st] Annual report of the state historian: [Hugh Hastings.] Wynkoop Hallenbeck, Crawford Co., state printers. Albany and New York, 1896. 24 pp. 8°.

Also in Assembly docs. 1897, no. 65. Contains note of appointment and text of prescription of duties by governor under ch. 393, laws of 1895. A résumé of previous attempts on the part of the state to collate original historical material is also given.

Second annual report of the state historian . . . Wynkoop, Hallenbeck, Crawford Co., state printers. Albany and New York, 1897. 1029 pp. 10 port. 8°.

Also in Assembly docs. 1898, no. 68. Volume is lettered on back Colonial series. v. 1."

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App. B. A stirring episode. What happened to a company of troops of the Ninety-ninth New York Volunteers who were detailed aboard the ill-fated *Congress*, pp. 87–92.

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App. H. Muster rolls of a century. From 1664 to 1760, pp. 371–956.

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App. J. Crown Point. Map and description of the most expensive fortress ever constructed on the continent of North America, pp. 963–967. map.

Third annual report of the state historian. Wynkoop, Hallenbeck Crawford Co., state printers. Albany and New York, 1898. pp. i–v, 1–1158. 8°. 1 plate.

Also in Assembly docs. 1899, no. 68. Volume is lettered on back "Colonial Series, v. 2."

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App. A. The first infantry affair of the war of the rebellion. Letter of Lieut. John B. Woodward of G Company, Thirteenth New York State Militia, in regard to the capture of the Smith's Point Lightship at Mill Creek, Chesapeake Bay, Md., May 17, 1861, pp. 13–19.

App. B. A brilliant capture. How four companies of the Thirty-third New York Infantry corralled the Seventh and Eighth Georgia Regiments, at the Battle of Golding's Farm, Va., pp. 21–32.

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App. G. The lost colors of the Seventh Heavy Artillery. With a brief sketch of the campaign in which they were lost. Why Petersburg was not captured, June 15, 1864, pp. 77–96. 1 plan; 2 plans.

App. H. The One Hundred and Sixty-ninth Infantry at Fort Fisher. List of the men who most distinguished themselves for gallantry in the assault on Jan. 15, 1865, pp. 97–101.

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App. K. For a better system of keeping military records. The state historian's project for the creation of the office of regimental recorder. Arguments for and against it by distinguished soldiers. pp. 129–155.

App. L. New York's colonial archives. Transcription of the records between the years 1673 and 1675. pp. 157–435. 2 plans, 1 plate, 3 maps.

App. M. Colonial muster rolls. Completion of the work of publishing all rolls deposited in the state capitol, up to the outbreak of the war of the revolution. pp. 437–898. 2 fid. plans.

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App. N. Public papers of George Clinton. 1777–1795, 1801–1804. v. 1–8. Albany, 1899–1904.

It is a little difficult to collate this official's annual reports. The volumes listed below as "Ecclesiastical Records, etc.," are preceded by brief statements of transmittal in which the document is referred to as annual report. These words, however, do not appear on the title page.

Ecclesiastical records of New York State. Published by the state under the supervision of Hugh Hastings, state historian. Albany: J. B. Lyon, 1901–1905. 6 v. 8°.

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v. 1. Introduction. Worth of historical documents by Rev. Edw. T. Corwin, pp. 5–31; transcripts of records covering the administration from that of Peter Minuit, to that of Edmund Andros, 1626–1683. pp. 43–744. 7 plates, 1 port.

v. 2. Continues transcripts as above from the administration of Edmund Andros to that of Richard Bellomont, 1680–1701. pp. i–xxviii, 745–1442.

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1632, Mar. Bastiaen Janssen Crol.
1633, Apr. Wouter Van Twiller.
1638, Mar. 28. William Kieft.
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GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

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[a] Counting regnal year from death of Charles I.

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[a] Counting regnal year from death of Charles I.

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6.

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5. 1704, Oct. 6–Nov. 4. No laws passed.

10.

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2. 1711, Apr. 3–20. No laws passed

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2. 1711, Sept. 10–Nov. 24. Not found.
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4. 1712, Aug. 25–Dec. 10. n. p., n. d. pp. 155–163. F°.

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11. 1722, Oct. 2–Nov. 1. n. p., n. d. pp. 403–406. F°.
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1. 1737, June 15–Dec. 16. New York, Zenger, 1738. 100 pp. F°.
2. 1738, Apr. 4–Oct. 20. No laws passed.

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2. 1748, Sept. 20–Nov. 12. Not found.
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2. 1751, May 30–June 6. Not found.
3. 1751, Oct. 1–Nov. 25. Not found.

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6. 1754/5, Aug. 20–Sept. 11. Not found.
7. 1755/6, Dec. 2–July 9. Not found.
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2. 1759/60, Dec. 4–June 10. Not found.
3. 1760, Oct. 12–Nov. 7. Not found.

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2. 1761, Sept. 1–11. Not found.
3. 1761/2, Nov. 24–Jan. 7. Not found.
4. 1762, Mar. 2–May 22. Not found.
5. 1762, Nov. 16–Dec. 11. Not found.
6. 1763, Nov. 8–Dec. 20. Not found.
7. 1764, Apr. 17–21. Not found.
8. 1764, Sept. 4–Oct. 20. Not found.
9. 1765, Nov. 12–Dec. 23. Not found.
10. 1766, June 11–July 3. Not found.
11. 1766, Nov. 10–Dec. 19. Not found.
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vol. 2. Nov. 8, 1743–Dec. 23, 1765. 1766. (1), 811, viii pp. Index to both vols.

Lott, in his quaint preface says . . . "A Few of the Votes, in the Infancy of this Government, could not be found, as the Reader will observe by the Notes I have made, whenever that happened to be the Case; but he will at the same Time meet with very few such Instances.

"And in order to make the Work as useful and ornamental as possible, I have added at the Head of every Page, the Years of the Reign of the Kings and Queens, and the Names of the Governors, or Commanders in Chief. And in the Body of the Votes, I have distinguished the most material Passages in a larger Type than the Common, or by *Italicks;* which will be of great Use and Facility to the curious Reader, by directing him more readily to any subject he may chuse to search for. . . ."

The appendix of one leaf in the first volume is a copy of the act of Parliament relating to the Leisler execution, preceded by this note: "Inasmuch as a few of the Votes and Proceedings of the General Assembly, relative to the Affair of Capt. Jacob Leisler, are missing, and consequently the Public not fully informed, as to the Justice or Injustice of his Suffering: It was therefore thought necessary, for the Satisfaction of the Public, and in Justice to the Family and Descendants of the said Capt. Leisler, to publish the following Act of Parliament, relating to the Catastrophe."

1766–1776. Journal of the votes and proceedings of the general assembly of the colony of New York, from 1766 to 1776, inclusive. Reprinted in pursuance of a joint resolution of the legislature of the State of New York, passed 30th April, 1820. Albany: Printed by J. Buel, Printer to the State. 1820. F°. 4, 92, iii. 76, iii, 82, iii, 106, iii, 82 1 l., iii, 113, iii, 118, iii, 103 iv, 117, iii pp.

The original title page of each journal is reprinted. Fifty copies of the volume were printed pursuant to Assembly resolution of March 31, 1820. The work was undertaken primarily through the efforts of Aaron Clark, clerk of the Assembly. Of the fifty copies ordered printed, the distribution of twenty-six was specifically provided for in the resolution. Remaining copies were ordered deposited with the secretary of state.

1702–1708. A journal of the votes of the general assembly. . . . [Oct. 20, 1702–Nov. 27, 1708.] [New York, 1708.] 78 pp. F°. 2 eds.

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2. 1753, May 30–July 4. [New York, Parker, n. d.] 42 pp. F°.
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2. 1759/60, Dec. 4–June 10. Fragment, Dec. 4–11, 1759, May 13–21, 1760, pp. 43–52, 95–98, only, found.
3. 1760, Oct. 12–Nov. 7. Fragment, Oct. 29, pp. 9–10, only, found.

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6. 1763, Nov. 8–Dec. 20. Fragment, Nov. 8–25, pp. 1–24, only, found.
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7. 1775, Jan. 10–Apr. 3. New York, Gaine, 1775. 131 pp. F°.

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Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1674, Nov. 10. Maj. Edmund Andros, governor.
1677, Nov. 16. Anthony Brockholls, comdr. in chief.
1678, Aug. 7. Sir Edmund Andros, governor.
1681, Jan. 13. Anthony Brockholls, comdr. in chief.
1682, Aug. 27. Col. Thomas Dongan, governor.
1688, Aug. 11. Sir Edmund Andros, governor.
1688, Oct. 9. Francis Nicholson, lieut. gov.
1689, June 3. Jacob Leisler, lieut. gov.
1691, Mar. 19. Henry Sloughter, governor.
1691, July 26. Richard Ingoldesby, lieut. gov.
1692, Aug. 30. Benjamin Fletcher, governor.
1698, Apr. 13. Earl of Bellomont, governor.
1699, May 17. John Nanfan, lieut. gov.
1700, July 24. Earl of Bellomont, governor.
1701, Mar. 5. William Smith, senior councillor, actg. executive.
1701, May 19. John Nanfan, lieut. gov.
1702, May 3. Lord Cornbury, governor.
1708, Dec. 18. Lord Lovelace, governor.
1709, May 6. Peter Schuyler, president.
1709, May 9. Richard Ingoldesby, lieut. gov.
1709, May 25. Peter Schuyler, president.
1709, June 1. Richard Ingoldesby, lieut. gov.
1710, Apr. 10. Gerardus Beekman, president.
1710, June 14. Robert Hunter, governor.
1719, July 21. Peter Schuyler, president.
1720, Sept. 17. William Burnet, governor.
1728, Apr. 15. John Montgomerie, governor.
1731, July 1. Rip Van Dam, president.
1732, Aug. 1. William Cosby, governor.
1736, Mar. 10. George Clarke, governor.
1743, Sept. 2. George Clinton, governor.
1753, Oct. 10. Sir Danvers Osborne, governor.
1753, Oct. 12. James De Lancey, lieut. gov.
1755, Sept. 3. Sir Charles Hardy, governor.
1757, June 3. James De Lancey, lieut. gov.
1760, Aug. 4. Cadwallader Colden, president.
1761, Oct. 26. Robert Monckton, governor.
1761, Nov. 18. Cadwallader Colden, lieut. gov.
1762, June 14. Robert Monckton, governor.
1763, June 28. Cadwallader Colden, lieut. gov.
1765, Nov. 13. Sir Henry Moore, governor.
1769, Sept. 12. Cadwallader Colden, lieut. gov.
1770, Oct. 19. Lord Dunmore, governor.
1771, July 9. William Tryon, governor.
1774, Apr. 7. Cadwalader Colden, lieut. gov.
1775, June 28. William Tryon, governor.
1780, Mar. 23. James Robertson, governor.
1783, Apr. 17. Andrew Elliot, lieut. gov.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1674, July 1/11. Proprietary commission for Edmund Andros.
1829. Stmt. of U. S. under Anglo-Amer. convention of 1827.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 215.
1880. N. J. archives, i: 156.
1894. Colon. laws of N. Y., v. 1: 106–107.
1901. Farnham Papers, i: 327.

——, July 1/11. Proprietary instructions to Edmund Andros.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 216–219.

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1681, Sept. 30. Proprietary commission for Thomas Dongan.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 328–329.

1683, Jan. 27. Proprietary instructions for Thomas Dongan.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 331.
1894. Colon. laws of N. Y., v. 1: 108–109.

1685, June 10. Royal commission for Thomas Dongan. 2 James II.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 377–382.
1894. Colon. laws of N. Y., v. 1: 177–178 (in part only).

1686, May 29. Royal instructions for Thomas Dongan. 2 James II.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 369–375.
1894. Colon. laws of N. Y., v. 1: 178–180.

1689, Nov. 14. Draft of royal commission for Henry Sloughter.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 623–629.
1894. Colon. laws of N. Y., v. 1: 221–222 (in part only)

1690, Jan. 31. Royal instructions. 1 William and Mary.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 685.

1692, Mar. 18. Royal commission for Benjamin Fletcher. 4 William and Mary.
1852. Colon. Records Penn., i: 357–364.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 827–833.
1903. Mss. House of Lords, ii: 431–437.

1692, Mar. 7. Royal instructions. 4 William and Mary.
1853. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iii: 818–824.

1697, June 18. Royal commission for Lord Bellomont. 9 William III.
1854. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iv: 266–273.
1901. Farnham Papers, ii: 25 et seq.

1697, Aug. 31. Royal instructions. 9 William III.
1854. N. Y. Colon. Docs., iv: 284.

1709, Oct. 19. Royal commission for Robert Hunter. 9 Anne.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., v: 92.

1709, Dec. 27. Royal instructions (draft). 9 Anne.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., v: 124–143.

1709, Dec. 30. Additional instructions.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., v: 143.

1715, Mar. 17. Royal commission. 1 Geo. I.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., v: 391.

1727, Oct. 4. Royal commission for John Montgomerie. 1 Geo. II.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., v: 834–841.

1741, Aug. 20. Lords Justices' commission for George Clinton.
1855. N. Y. Colon. Docs., vi: 189–201.

1753, Aug. 1. Royal commission for Danvers Osborne. 27 Geo. II.
1757. Smith. Hist. N. Y., 229–237.

CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.

Thomas Dongan.

1684, June–July. Calendar St. Papers. Amer. and W. I. 1681–1685.
1685–1688. ib. 1685–1688.

Henry Sloughter.

1690–1691. Calendar St. Papers. Amer. and W. I. 1689–1692.

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Jacob Leisler.

Papers relating to the Administration of Lieut. Gov. Leisler. 1689–1691. pp. 1–250.

Documentary history of the State of New York. O'Callaghan. vol. 2, no. 1.

Documents relating to the administration of Jacob Leisler.

N. Y. Hist. Socy. Fund Pubs. 1868: 237–426.

Benjamin Fletcher.

1692, Sept. Calendar St. Papers. Amer. and W. I. 1689–1692.
1693–1695. ib. 1693–1695.
1696–1697. ib. 1696–1697.

Cadwalader Colden.

The Colden Letter Books. vol. 1–11. 1760–1775.

Coll. N. Y. Hist. Socy. Publication Fund ser. x. ix–x. 1876. 1 l., 480; 1 l., 516 pp.

The first part of Lieut. Governor Colden's official letter books. There is neither calendar nor table of contents, but a very full index accompanies the second volume.

Proclamation of the last of the Royal Governors of New York. Apr. 15, 1780. pp. 655–658.

Documentary history of the State of New York. O'Callaghan. vol. 4, no. 17.

COUNCIL.

The council journals were not printed currently. For the legislative journals of the council see above under legislature.

Calendars.

Calendar of Council Minutes, 1668–1783. New York State Library Bulletin 58. History 6. Albany, 1902. 720 pp. 8°. [Index pp. 581–720.]

This calendar covers the executive minutes of the New York colonial council from 1668 to 1783. It was prepared by Mr. Berthold Fernow, keeper of historical records, shortly before his resignation on April 1, 1889, and was intended to form with other calendars an additional volume of the series of "Documents relative to the Colonial History of New York."

The council became a legislative body, coordinate with the assembly, with the first regular colonial legislature convened in 1691 by Governor Sloughter. Its legislative minutes have been printed as the "Journal of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New York, 1691–1775." 2 v. Albany, 1861; see above under Legislative.

University of the State of New York. State Library Bulletin History No. 2. May, 1899. Colonial Records General Entries, v. 1, 1664–65. Albany, 1899. 204 pp. 8°.

The volume known as "General Entries, v. 1," is the first book of records of the executive department including papers pertaining to the surrender of the colony by the Dutch to the English in 1664, and extending to September 25, 1665. Besides the papers relating to the change of government, it contains the records of the secretary on various topics illustrating the early history of the colony. Among these are correspondence with neighboring colonies, appointment of civil officers, orders, and official determination of disputes or differences as to possession of lands, etc., arising between adjoining towns or private individuals, permits for trade or of the departure of ships from New York harbor, etc.

The volume itself is a folio of some 180 pages. It was removed from the office of the Secretary of State to the State Library by act of legislature of April 19, 1881.

The calendar prefixed to the volume is arranged in chronological order and contains a brief abstract of the contents of each paper.

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Minutes.

1686, Sept. 14–Dec. 27. Calend. St. Papers. Amer. and W. I. 1685–1688.
1687, Jan. 3–Feb. 28. ib.
1688, Jan. 3–Aug. 29. ib.
1689, Mar. 1–June 10. ib. 1689–1692.
1691, Mar. 19–Dec. 31. ib.
1692, Jan. 8–Dec. 29. ib.
1693, Jan. 12–Dec. 28. ib. 1693–1695. (73 meetings.)
1694, Jan. 4–Dec. 31. ib. (59 meetings.)
1695, Jan. 10–Dec. 19. ib. (60 meetings.)
1696, July 16. ib. no. 217 (long abstract).
1696, Sept. 15. ib. 1696–1697. no. 536, ix. (short extract).

While, in all cases, these minutes are given in abstracted form only, in many cases the abstract is so full that this, together with the continuity of the abstracts, will, it is believed, enable students to learn that of the functions of this body which calendar entries would not. For this reason these references have been included here.

COURT OF LIEUTENANCY.

Records. Oct. 16, 1686–1696. Coll. N. Y. Hist. Socy. Publication Fund ser. v., xiii, 1880: 389–438.

Printed from the original ms. in the library of the society. "The volume is one of singular interest and value. Its relation to the history of the period to which it belongs is as follows: The common law of England gave the sovereign no absolute power to control his troops, and Parliament was never forward, or even disposed, to confer it by statute. All parties in the high councils of the nation had regarded the standing armies of the Stuarts with great aversion as the tools of tyranny. That jealousy of the control of the militia was signally displayed by the first English colonists in Massachusetts, from whose laws were derived the earliest regulations of the militia in New York when it came under English authority at the conquest. The Duke's governors during the whole period down to 1691 were constantly at issue with the people when this topic came up. As this Court of Lieutenancy was begun under the sway of James II and was continued under the reign of William and Mary, it furnishes many singular instances of the methods pursued in such tribunals." (Preface to vol.)

PROVINCE OF NEW YORK, AMERICAN RULE.

1775–1776.

PROVINCIAL CONGRESS.

Journals.

1775–1777. Journals of the provincial congress, provincial convention, committee of safety, and council of safety of the state of New York. Albany: Printed by Thurlow Weed, printer to the state, 1842. 2 v. F°.

vol. 1. 3 p. l., 1196 pp.; index pp. 1119–1196.
vol. 2. 2 p. l., 543 pp.; index pp. 521–543.

250 copies were printed pursuant to Senate resolution of April 17, 1841. The designated distribution of thirty copies, in addition to those to be deposited in each state library, was provided for in the resolution. Remaining copies were to be distributed or sold by the secretary of state, William H. Seward.

Journals of the 1st to the 3d congress are also printed, though not in full, in the American Archives, as follows:

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1664–1789.

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PREFATORY NOTE.

With the exception of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, among the colonies, was the earliest to show any concern for her ancient records.

In 1794 a committee composed of Messrs. Kitchel, Southard, Blackwood, Stillwell, and Frazer, reported on "An Act for the Removal and Preservation of the Public Records of the State of New Jersey." The committee urges the construction of a 30 by 24 foot building on the State House lot in Trenton, and recommends that the records then in the office of the secretary of state at Burlington ought not to be removed until the building at Trenton was ready to receive them.

At the end of the assembly votes of the session of February, 1796, is given a list of books then on hand belonging to the legislature.

A precautionary measure was the report of a joint committee in January, 1797, on the condition of papers in the office of the secretary of state. The recommendation of the committee, viz. the passage of a law to prevent the original papers from being taken from the secretary's office for any purpose whatever, throws some light on methods which may have assisted in the depletion of files of early records. In the following year, 1798, an act was passed "for the better security of the Office of Secretary of State, and for arranging the irregular files of original papers in the Register's Office." Not again until 1822 do the archives appear to have claimed any legislative attention. On October 23 of that year, Mr. William J. Prall, clerk of the house, reported on an examination and arrangement of the documents and papers filed in the hall of the house.

In 1843 the gentlemen who two years later were instrumental in organizing the New Jersey Historical Society, called to the attention of the New Jersey legislature the efforts then being made by New York to procure from the English archives copies of those relating to her colonial history. The following session Governor Daniel Haines alluded to the subject in his annual message. This led to the introduction of a series of resolutions drafted by Mr. William A. Whitehead, of Newark, and presented by the judiciary committee, and which were intended to effect the contemplated object through Mr. John Brodhead, the agent of New York. Mr. Brodhead was then abroad engaged in securing documents relating to that State. These resolutions, although preceded by a favorable report, were defeated. This report, made by William Paterson, chairman, Stephen Congar, John C. Deacon, and Samuel Copner, was presented to the house on January 16, 1844. An appropriation of $1,000 was recommended to carry out the purposes of the report. Five hundred copies of this report were ordered to be separately printed.

The following year, on January 25, 1845, a select committee of the senate reported in favor of the same object. This committee was composed of William J. Shinn, Jos. S. Dodd, and Richard R. Paulison. The report was ordered to be separately printed in an edition of 300 copies, but the document itself was ordered to lie on the table. The memorial presented by the Historical Society in 1846 likewise met with defeat.

The society, however, continued its endeavors to carry out the object in view. In 1849, through private subscriptions, it had secured sufficient funds to take the preparatory step. An index to the New Jersey Colonial Documents in the State Paper Office was arranged through an agent in London. This index, or calendar, was completed in 1851, and was published by the society in 1858, as volume 5 of its "Collections."

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This action of the Historical Society developed the interesting nature of the documents sought to be obtained. It was not, however, until 1872 that, through the instrumentality of the Hon. Nathaniel Niles, member of the legislature from Morris County, and Speaker of the assembly, authority was given to the society to procure copies of all papers directly referring to the history of the State which might be found in the State Paper Office in England. This was modified in 1874 to include the procurement of documents of a like import that might be found elsewhere. In 1878 the authority was still further extended to the arranging, collating, and publishing the papers thus procured. (N. J. Archives, ser. 1, v. 1 Gen. intr.)

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1664-1703.

EAST JERSEY-WEST JERSEY.

COLLECTED ARCHIVES.

Documents relating to the colonial history of New Jersey. 1631-1687. Newark, 1880. 1 p. l., xxiii, 556 pp.

Archives of N. J., ser. 1, v. 1. The table of contents for this and the succeeding volume is full enough to serve as a calendar. There is besides a good index in each volume. The contents of both volumes comprise letters to and from governors, proclamations, grants, commissions, memorials to the home government, etc.

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COLLECTIONS.

Documents relating to the Colonial History of New Jersey. Calendar of Records in the office of the Secretary of State [of New Jersey]. 1664-1703. Part I. East Jersey Records.

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2. 1675, Dec. 2-?. Elizabeth.
1. 1676, Apr. 6-?. (?)
(?) 1676, Oct. 5-8. Woodbridge.
(?) 1677, Oct. 10-19. Woodbridge and Elizabeth.
(?) 1678, Oct. 21-29. Elizabeth.
(?) 1679, Apr. 3-?. Elizabeth.
(?) 1679, May 8-?. Middletown.
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(?) 1681, July 23-?. Elizabeth.

} Leaming and Spicer, 75-138.

1. 1682, Mar. 1-28. Elizabeth.
2. 1682, May 30-?. Elizabeth.
3. 1683, Nov. ?-Dec. 5. Elizabeth.
1. 1686, Apr. 6-?. Amboy Perth (*sic*).
2. 1686, Oct. 29-?. New-Perth (*sic*).
1. 1688, May 14-24. Perth Amboy.
1. 1692, Sept. 28-Oct. 6. Perth Amboy.
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1. 1694, Oct. 2-22. Perth Amboy.
1. 1695, July 25-Aug. 3. Perth Amboy.
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1665. Philip Carteret, governor.
1682. Robert Barclay, governor.
1683. Thomas Rudyard, deputy governor.
1683. Gawen Laurie, deputy governor.
1685. Lord Niel Campbell, governor.
1697. Andrew Hamilton, governor.
1698. Jeremiah Basse, governor.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1665, Feb. 10. Proprietary commission to Philip Carteret.
1880. N. J. Archives, 1: 20.

1665, Feb. 10. Proprietary instructions to Philip Carteret.
1758. Leaming and Spicer, 28–31.
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1674, July 31. Proprietary commission to Philip Carteret.
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1709. Richard Ingoldesby, lieutenant-governor.
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1731. Lewis Morris, president of council.
1720. William Burnet.
1728. John Montgomerie.
1731. Lewis Morris, president of council.
1732. William Cosby.
1736. John Anderson, president of council.
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ROYAL GOVERNMENT, PROVINCIAL ERA.

1738–1776.

Separation of New Jersey from New York.

COLLECTIONS.

Documents relating to the colonial history of New Jersey. v. 6. Administrations of Governor Lewis Morris, President John Hamilton, and President John Reading. 1738–1747. v–xvi, 482 pp.

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4. 1752, Dec. 14–22. No laws passed.
5. 1753, May 16–June 8. Philadelphia, Bradford, n. d. 1 l., 3–59 (1) pp. F°.
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9–10. 1764, Feb. 14–23. Woodbridge, Parker, 1764. 22 pp. F°.

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[a] Not found. There is no copy in the N. J. State Library. To supply the deficiency, there is inserted in the file of printed votes, belonging to this Library, a manuscript copy bearing the attest of David Brearley, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey, 1779–1789. It is to Mr. Justice Brearley that New Jersey owes the credit for collecting and saving the very fine set of early laws and votes now in the State Library.

Of the votes of the May session, 1756, James Parker was ordered to print 295 "sets," vide minutes of June 1, 1756. Writing under date of Feb. 23, 1906, the State Librarian of N. J., Mr. Henry C. Buchanan, says: "I have looked through the minutes of the following sessions, and find nothing to indicate that the 'sets' were not printed, and think it is fair to assume that they were published and distributed; but that more than a century and a quarter ago copies of the proceedings of that session were so scarce that the then Chief Justice Brearley had a manuscript copy made from the original, which was bound up in the State Library set, or rather the set that many years afterwards came into the possession of the Library, from, as I understand, Mr. Brearley."

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2. 1770, Mar. 14–27. Woodbridge, Parker, 1770. 25 pp. F°.
3. 1770, Sept. 26–Oct. 27. Burlington, Collins, 1770. 53 pp. F°.
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   1775, Nov. 15–Dec. 6. ib., iii: 1849–1866.

3. 1775, Jan. 11–Feb. 13. Minutes Prov. Council, etc., 1879, p. 63–93.
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   1775, Nov. 15–Dec. 6. ib., 282–323.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1738. Lewis Morris.
1746. John Hamilton, president of council.
1747. John Reading, president of council.
1747. Jonathan Belcher.
1757. Thomas Pownall, lieutenant governor.
1757. John Reading, president of council.
1758. Francis Bernard.
1760. Thomas Boone.
1761. Josiah Hardy.
1763. William Franklin to 1776.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1738. Jan. ?. Royal commission to Lewis Morris.
1882. N. J. Archives, ser. 1, vi: 2–13 (draft).
1738. April. ?. Royal instructions to Lewis Morris.
1882. ib., ser. 1, vi: 15 (draft).

1758. (?) Royal commission to Francis Bernard.
1885. N. J. Archives, ser. 1, ix: 23 (draft).
1898. Greene. Provincial governor, 226–233.
1758. (?) Royal instructions to Francis Bernard.
1885. ib., ser. 1, ix: 40 (draft).
1898. Greene. Provincial governor, 234–260.

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OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The papers of Lewis Morris, Governor of the province of New Jersey, from 1738 to 1746. Published by the New Jersey Historical Society. New York: Geo. P. Putnam, 1852. xxxii, 336 pp. 1 port. 8°.

In Coll. N. J. Hist. Socy., v. 4.

There is a preface stating the source of some of the papers, a long table of contents more in the nature of a calendar, and a biographical memoir. A copy of the text of Gov. Morris's will is given in the appendix. The only index is an index to some names. The preparation of the explanatory matter of the volume was entrusted to Wm. A. Whitehead. Facing the title page is an engraved portrait purporting to be that of Gov. Morris, but which is actually that of his son, Lewis Morris, done by Charles Burt from an original sketch by John Watson, then in the possession of Mr. Whitehead. Accompanying the portrait is a facs. a. s. of Gov. Morris, and an engraved copy of the Morris coat of arms. No portrait of the Governor is known to exist.

COUNCIL.

The council met for the first time as a distinct body separate and apart from the assembly, on Oct. 26, 1738.

Journal.

1738, Oct. 26—1747/8, Feb. 18. Archives of N. J., ser. 1, v. 15.
1748, Nov. 10—1755, Dec. 24. ib., ser. 1, v. 16.
1756, Feb. 24—1768, July 26. ib., ser. 1, v. 17.
1769, Feb. 21—1775, Nov. 24. ib., ser. 1, v. 18.

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Judicial.

1765. Extracts from the minutes of New Jersey Supreme Court, May term. (N. J. Hist. Socy. Proc., IX: 66–67.)

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, AMERICAN RULE.

1775–1776.

COLLECTIONS.

Minutes of the Provincial Congress and the Council of Safety of the State of New Jersey. Trenton: Printed by Naar, Day & Naar. 1879. 2 p. l., 618 pp. 8°.

Contains proceedings of committees of correspondence, of committees of observation, of the various town meetings, township and town committees.

PROVINCIAL CONGRESS.

Journal of proceedings.

1. 1775, May, June, Aug., held at Trenton.
   1775. Burlington, Collins. 42 pp. 8°. (Extr. from Journal.)
   1835. Woodbury, Sailer. 35 pp. 8°.
   1839. Amer. Archives, ser. 4 ii: 685–92; iii: 41–46.
   1879. In Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 169–194.
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   1775. Burlington, Collins. 78 (1) pp. 8°.
   1835. Woodbury, Sailer. 37–123 pp. 8°.
   1840. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iii: 1217–1244.
   1879. In Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 197–255.

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3. 1776, Jan. 31–Mar. 2, held at New Brunswick.
   1776. New York, Anderson. 146 (1) pp. 8°.[a]
   1843. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iv: 1579–1626.
   1835. Woodbury, Sailer. 125–241 (1) pp. 4°.
   1879. In Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 339–405.
4. 1776, June 10–Aug. 21, held at Burlington, Trenton, and New Brunswick.
   1776. Burlington, Collins, 1774. 149. (1) pp.
   1831. Trenton, Justice. 100 pp.
   1879. In Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 445–547.

COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL OF SAFETY.

1775, Aug.–Sept., held at Princeton.
   1879. Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 1879, p. 195–196.
1776, Jan. 9–13, held at Princeton.
   1776. New York, Anderson, 1776. 146 (1) pp. 8°
   1843. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iv : 660–666.
   1879. Minutes Prov. Congress, etc., 1879, p. 327–338.
1776. Mar. 26.
   1844. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, v : 508–509.
1777, Mar. 18–1778, Oct. 8.
   1872. Jersey City. 287 pp. 8°.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

1776 to 1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1776. [Constitution adopted July 2.]
   1776. Jol. proc. Provincial Congress, June, 1776.
   1783. Wilson's Acts of Council and General Assembly, pp. iii–x.
   1823. Dufau. Collection des constitutions, v. 5.
   1831. Jol. proc. Provincial Congress, June, 1776.
   1878. Poore. Charters, etc. p. 1310–1314.

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Legislative.

STATUTES.

COLLECTIONS.

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1. 1776, Aug. 27–Oct. 18.
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3. 1777, Jan. 22–24.
4. 1777, Jan. 29–Mar. 18.
5. 1777, May 7–June 7.
6. 1777, Sept. 3–24.
7. 1777, Sept. 29–Oct. 11.

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   1777, Nov. 3–Dec. 12. Trenton, Collins, 1778. 1 l., 29–84 pp. F°.
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   1778, Apr. 6–18. Trenton, Collins, 1778. 1 l., 95–109, (1) pp. F°.
3. 1778, May 27–June 22. No acts passed.
4. 1778, Sept. 9–Oct. 8. No acts passed.

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2. 1779, Apr. 20–June 12. Trenton, Collins, 1779. 1 l., 49–123, (1) pp. F°.
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2. 1784, Aug. 5–Sept. 2.
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2. 1788, Aug. 27–Sept. 9. Trenton, Collins, 1788. 1 l., 455–470 pp. F°.

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5. 1777, May 7–June 7.

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6. 1777, Sept. 3–24.
7. 1777, Sept. 29–Oct. 11.

} Trenton, Collins, 1779. 2 ll., 101–126 pp. F°.

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1. 1777, Oct. 28–Nov. 1.
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2. 1778, Feb. 11–Apr. 4.
2. 1778, Apr. 6–18.
3. 1778, May 27–June 22.
4. 1778, Sept. 9–Oct. 8.

} Trenton, Collins, 1779. 2 ll., 5–114 pp. F°.

3.

1. 1778, Oct. 27–Dec. 12.
2. 1779, Apr. 20–June 12.
3. 1779, Sept. 15–Oct. 9.

} Trenton, Collins, 1780. 2 ll., 5–106 pp. F°.

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1. 1779, Oct. 26–Dec. 26.
2. 1780, Feb. 16–Mar. 21.

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3. 1780, May 10–June 19.
4. 1780, Sept. 13–Oct. 7.

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Votes and proceedings.

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2. 1776, Nov. 13–30.
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2. 1780, Feb. 16–Mar. 21. Trenton, Collins, 1780. 2 ll., 115–182 pp. F°.
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Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1776–1790. William Livingston.

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Cases in the Supreme Court of New Jersey relative to the manumission of negroes, 1775–1793. Joseph Bloomfield.

General references.

Bibliography of the printed acts of the legislature of New Jersey, 1703–1800, and ordinances of the governors. Compiled by William Nelson.
N. J. Public Record Commission, 1st rept. D: 49–95.
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Fourth report Public Archives Commission, 1903, pp. 479–541. In Ann. Rept. Amer. Hist. Assn., 1903, v. 1. Also printed separately.

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Tables of the sittings of the provincial assemblies, with the names of the members, 1702–1776.

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A guide for the collection of the early laws of New Jersey. Giving a table of the sittings of the colonial assembly from 1702 to 1776, and of the state legislature from 1776 to . . . 1844. Trenton, 1881. 8 pp. 32°.

1649–1799. An Analytical Index to the Colonial Documents of New Jersey, in the State Paper Office of England, compiled by Henry Stevens. Edited with notes, by Wm. A. Whitehead, N. Y. Published for the N. J. Historical Soc'y, by D. Appleton & Co., 1858. xxx, 1 l., 504 pp. 8°.

In N. J. Hist. Socy. Coll., v. 5. In form of a calendar. A history of the origin and prosecution of the enterprise is given in the preface. The text, in full, of the "report of the Judiciary Committee on the subject of the colonial records of New Jersey," Jan. 16, 1844, and of the "report of the special committee of Assembly on the subject of our colonial documents in England: February 19, 1846," is given in the preface, as well as a copy of the instructions of Mr. Whitehead to Mr. Stevens.

Checklist of the issues of the press of New Jersey, 1723, 1728, 1754–1800. By William A. Nelson. Paterson, 1899. (2), 42 pp. 8°.

Index of colonial and State laws of New Jersey, between 1663 and 1877. By John Hood. Trenton, 1877. 1136 pp.

i. PENNSYLVANIA.

1681-1789.

ARRANGEMENT.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
- Pennsylvania Archives.
- Colonial records.

Proprietary government, 1681–1776.
- Charters.
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  - House of representatives.
  - Committee (or council) of safety.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.
    - Executive correspondence.
    - Proclamations.
  - Governor's council.
- Judicial.

State of Pennsylvania, 1776 to 1789.
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  - General assembly.
  - Council of censors.
- Executive.
  - Supreme executive council.
  - Executive correspondence.
- Judicial.

General references.

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PREFATORY NOTE.

Pennsylvania was the earliest among the colonies effectually to attempt the reclamation of her State papers. In 1752 she began the collection of her Votes of Assembly in printed volumes. This enterprise is described on p. 413 of the present compilation.

Some eighty-four years afterwards the publication of the Colonial Records was begun (see p. 417 infra). The inception of this series was brought about by joint effort of the American Philosophical Society and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, made in 1836. The memorial of these bodies recommending the publication of certain ancient records, together with the report of the house committee and extracts of the acts authorizing the publication, are printed in full in the first volume of the series known as Colonial Records, editions 1 and 2. Three volumes were published, two in 1838 and one, the third, in 1840.

Upon the completion of the third volume the secretary of the Commonwealth reported a deficit in the fund for the publication of the series, and it was, thereupon, temporarily suspended. By section 2, act of April 4, 1837 (pamphlet laws 1836–7, p. 354), 1,000 copies had been ordered to be printed of the Colonial Records, at a cost not to exceed $3,000. Subsequently, by act of April 14, 1838, the edition was increased to 1,500 copies and an additional sum of $1,146.25 was appropriated. Provision was made for the disposal of 1,000 copies by subscription. The deficit was due to overestimating the returns from subscriptions, the account being as follows:

To printing and binding volumes 1 to 3		$6,975.00
By subscription	$2,079.00	
By appropriation	4,146.25	
		6,225.25
Deficit		749.75

In 1842, some 300 copies of the Colonial Records still remaining in the State department, the distribution of these copies was provided for by joint resolution.

In 1849 the Historical Society of Pennsylvania petitioned the Senate in favor of a resumption of the publication of the Colonial Records. The memorial was referred to the committee on education and was not heard of again.

In 1851 the society made another attempt having in view the same object, and this time was successful. The memorial was referred to a select committee, of which Henry A. Muhlenberg was made chairman. The committee made a favorable report, accompanied by a bill providing for the publication of the Colonial Records and other original papers in the office of the secretary of the Commonwealth. Of this report and bill 1,000 copies were ordered to be separately printed. The bill became a law on February 15, 1851. Not only was the series continued, but shortly after its resumption, a republication of volumes 1, 2, and 3 was ordered.

The series known as Pennsylvania Archives was begun under provisions of an act of March 4, 1852, supplementary to the act of February 15, 1851. Pursuant to this act Samuel Hazard was appointed superintendent of the selection for publication of original documents prior to the peace of 1783. The contents of this series of publications are set forth on pages following.

As nearly as can be ascertained from the printed finance reports of the Commonwealth, Pennsylvania has expended the following sums for the printing of the Colonial Records and the Pennsylvania Archives, 1st series.

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1838–1840.	Colonial Records, volumes 1 to 3 (first edition)		$6,975.00
1851.	Colonial Records, volumes 4 to 5		2,250.00
1852.	Colonial Records, volumes 6 to 9		4,500.00
1853.	Colonial Records, volumes 10 to 13	$4,500.00	
1853.	Republication of volumes 1 to 3 Colonial Records	10,794.00	
1853.	Salary, superintendent of publication	1,375.00	
1853.	Sundries	619.52	
			17,288.52
1854.	Pennsylvania Archives and Colonial Records		9,795.00
1855.	Pennsylvania Archives and Colonial Records		3,217.50
1856.	Pennsylvania Archives and Colonial Records		6,777.00
	Total		50,803.02

The publication of the first series of the Pennsylvania Archives was concluded in 1856, and the second series was not begun until 1874. In the meantime a superintendent of the office of public printing and binding had been appointed under act of March 22, 1865. As nearly as can be learned from the reports of this officer the expenditures for series 2 to 4 of the Pennsylvania Archives have been as follows:

Series 2	$49,388.77
Series 3	41,905.35
Series 4	14,087.59
Total	105,281.71

This added to the previous appropriations for the first series and for the Colonial Records bring the total expenditures in the neighborhood of $156,084.73. Adding the cost of editing at $500 per volume $15,000 more should be added to the cost of the third series and $5,000 to that of the fourth series.

References.

1840. Communication from secretary of the Commonwealth relative to printing of Colonial Records. (House jol., Jan. sess., 1840, v. 2, pt. 2: 177–178; Sen. jol., ib., v. 2: 618–619.)

1842. Same, relative to distribution of Colonial Records. (House jol., Jan. sess., 1842, v. 2: 778–779.)

1851. Report of select committee (Muhlenberg) recommending publication of Colonial Records and other original papers. (Sen. jol., Jan. 1851, v. 1: 106–111.)

1853. Report select committee on distribution of Colonial Records and Penn. Archives. (House jol., Jan. sess., 1853, v. 1: 84–85.)

COLLECTIONS.

PENNSYLVANIA ARCHIVES.

Pennsylvania Archives, 1st series. Selected and arranged from original docs. by S. Hazard, 1664–1790. Maps. Phila., 1852–56. 12 v. 8°.

v. 1. 1664–1748. 1852. Joseph Severns and co. 783 (1) pp.
v. 2. 1748–1756. 1852. ib. 792 pp.
v. 3. 1756–1760. 1853. ib. 772 pp.
v. 4. 1760–1776. 1853. ib. 809 pp.
v. 5. 1776–1777. 1853. ib. 791 pp.
v. 6. 1777–1778. 1853. ib. 792 pp.
v. 7. 1778–1779. 1853. ib. 796 pp.
v. 8. 1779–1781. 1853. ib. 791 pp.
v. 9. 1781–1783. 1854. ib. 792 pp.
v. 10. 1783–1786. 1854. ib. 791 pp.
v. 11. 1786–1790. 1855. ib. 788 pp. 3 maps.
v. 12. 1790. 1856. ib. 482 pp. 6 maps.

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Pennsylvania Archives, second series, published under the direction of M. S. Quay, secretary of the Commonwealth; edited by J. B. Linn and W. H. Egle; vol. 1–19. Harrisburg, 1874–93. 19 v. ports. pl. maps. 8°.[a]

v. 1. 1874. Minutes of the Board of War, March 14 to Aug. 7, 1777. Minutes of the Navy Board, Feb. 18 to Sept. 24, 1777. List of Officers and men of the Penn. Navy, 1775–81. Papers relating to the British Prisoners in Penn. Memorandum book of the Committee and Council of Safety, 1776–77. Col. Atlee's Journal of the Battle of Long Island, Aug. 26, 1776. Journal of Col. Samuel Miles, concerning the Battle of Long Island, 1776. List of sick soldiers in Philadelphia, Dec., 1776. Papers relating to the War of the Revolution, 1775–77. Plans for the construction and raising of the Chevaux de Frise in the Delaware River, 1775–84. Index. 809 pp.

v. 2. 1876. Names of persons for whom marriage licenses were issued in the Province of Penn. previous to 1790. Persons naturalized in Province of Penn. Officers and soldiers in the service of the province, 1744–64. Indian traders, Mediterranean passes, Letters of Marque and Ship's registers, 1743–76. Papers relating to the province prior to the Revolution. Journal of Col. James Burd, while building Fort Augusta at Shamokin, 1756–57. Index. 826 pp.

v. 3. 1875. Names of persons who took the oath of allegiance to the state, 1776–94. Papers relating to the War of the Revolution, 1777. Resolves of the committee for the province; with instructions to their representatives, and an essay on the constitutional power of Great Britain, 1774. Proceedings of the convention for the province, Philadelphia, Jan. 23–28, 1775. Proceedings of the conference of committees of the Province, Carpenter's hall, Phila., June 18–25, 1776. Officers of the state in the Revolution and under the constitution of 1776. Index. 811 pp.

v. 4. 1876. Papers relating to the whiskey insurrection in Western Penn. 1794. Narrative of the journey of Col. Thomas Proctor to the Indians of the North-west, 1791. Papers relating to the defence of the frontiers, 1790–96. Index. 811 p.

v. 5. 1877. Papers relative to the colonies on the Delaware, 1614–82. Index. 875 pp. Maps.

v. 6. 1877. Papers relating to the French occupation in Western Penn. Papers relating to the establishment at Presqu' Isle, 1794. Index. 846 pp.

v. 7. 1878. Papers relating to provincial affairs in Penn., 1682–1750. Papers relating to the boundary dispute between Penn. and Md., 1734–60. Narrative of Marie Le Roy and Barbara Leininger, who spent three and one-half years as prisoners among the Indians, Phila., 1759. Journal of Col. James Burd of the provincial service, 1760. Journal kept at Fort Augusta, 1763. Papers relating to the Dutch and Swedish Settlements on the Delaware River. Index. 832 pp.

v. 8–9. 1878, 1880. Record of Pennsylvania marriages, prior to 1810, vol. 1–2. List of officers of the colonies on the Delaware, and the Province of Penn., 1614–1776. 790, 800 pp.

v. 10–11. 1880. Pennsylvania in the War of the Revolution, battalions and line, 1775–83; edited by J. B. Linn, W. H. Egle. 2 v. 794, 805 pp.

v. 12. 1880. Muster rolls of the Penn. volunteers in the war of 1812–14; with contemporary documents; vol. 1. 805 pp.

v. 13–14. 1888, 1890. Penn. in the War of the Revolution. Associated battalions and militia, 1775–83, v. 1–12, ed. by Egle. 794, 805 pp.

v. 15. 1890. Journals and diaries of the War of the Revolution, with lists of officers and soldiers, 1775–83, ed. by W. H. Egle, '93. 784 pp.

v. 16. 1890. The breviate, in the boundary dispute between Pa. and Md., '91. 790 pp.

v. 17. 1890. Names of foreigners who took the oath of allegiance to the province and state of Penn., 1727–75, with the foreign arrivals, 1786–1808; edited by W. H. Egle. 787 pp.

v. 18. 1890. Documents relating to the Connecticut settlement in the Wyoming Valley; edited by W. H. Egle. 792 pp.

v. 19. 1890. Minutes of the Board of Property of the Province of Pa.; vol. 1, edited by W. H. Egle. 787 pp.

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[a] For more detailed analysis of contents consult Amer. Hist. Assoc. Report for 1904, 630–638.

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Pennsylvania Archives, 3rd series; printed under direction of Wm. Francis Harrity, edited by Wm. H. Egle. Harrisburg, 1894–99. 8°. 1. 1–31.[a]

1. 1–2. 1894. Minutes of the Board of Property. 1 map. 807, 802 pp.

v. 3. 1894. Old rights, proprietary rights, Virginia entries, and soldiers entitled to donation lands. 1896. 3 maps. 771 pp.

v. 4. 1894. Draughts of the proprietary manors in the province of Pennsylvania. 76 maps.

v. 5. 1896. State of the accounts of the county lieutenants during the war of the revolution, 1777–1789. v. 1. 791 pp.

v. 6. 1896. State of the accounts of the county lieutenants during the war of the revolution, 1777–1789. v. 2. 779 pp.

v. 7. 1896. State of the accounts of the county lieutenants during the war of the revolution, 1777–1789. v. 3. 799 pp.

v. 8. 1896. Commissions issued by the Province of Penn. v. 1. 793 pp.

v. 9. 1896. Commissions issued by the Province of Penn. v. 2. 797 pp.

v. 10. 1896. Commissions issued by the Province of Penn. v. 3. 820 pp.

v. 11. 1897. Proprietary tax lists of County of Chester, 1765–69, 1771. 781 pp.

v. 12. 1897. Proprietary tax lists of County of Chester, 1774, 1779, 1780, 1781, 1785. 820 pp.

v. 13. 1897. Proprietary and other tax lists in the County of Bucks, 1779–86. 815 pp.

v. 14. 1897. Proprietary, supply and state tax lists of the city and county of Philadelphia, 1769, 1774, 1779. 834 pp.

v. 15. 1897. Proprietary, supply and state tax lists of the city and county of Philadelphia, 1779, 1780, 1781. 779 pp.

v. 16. 1897. Proprietary, supply and state tax lists of the city and county of Philadelphia, 1781–83. 826 pp.

v. 17. 1897. Proprietary and state tax lists of the county of Lancaster, 1771–73, 1779, 1782. 894 pp.

v. 18. 1897. Proprietary and state tax lists of the county of Berks, for 1767–81, 1784–85. 810 pp.

v. 19. 1897. Proprietary and state tax lists of the counties of Northumberland and Northampton, 1772 to 1787. 801 pp.

v. 20. 1897. Proprietary and state tax lists of the county of Cumberland for 1778–82, 1785. 772 pp.

v. 21. 1897. Returns of taxables of the county of York, for 1779 to 1783. 816 pp.

v. 22. 1897. Returns of taxables for the counties of Bedford (1773 to 1784), Huntingdon (1788), Westmoreland (1783, 1786), Fayette (1785, 1786), Alleghany (1791), Washington (1786), and census of Bedford (1784) and Westmoreland (1783). 777 pp.

v. 23. 1897. Muster rolls of the navy and line, militia and rangers, 1775–1783, with list of pensioners, 1818–1832. 819 pp.

v. 24. 1897. Warrantees of land in the several counties of the state of Penn., 1730–1898. v. 1. 792 pp.

v. 25. 1897. Warrantees of land in the several counties of the state of Penn., 1730–1898. v. 2. 809 pp.

v. 26. 1897. Warrantees of land in the several counties of the state of Penn., 1730–1898. v. 3. 905 pp.

v. 27. 1899. General Index. v. xi–xxvi. A–Co. 790 pp.

v. 28. 1899. General Index. v. xi–xxvi. Co–Ju. 822 pp.

v. 29. 1899. General Index. v. xi–xxvi. Ka–Re. 850 pp.

v. 30. 1899. General Index. v. xi–xxvi. Re–Zy. 780 pp.

v. 31. 1899. Appendix. v. i–x. Maps.

Pennsylvania Archives. Fourth series; edited by George Edward Reed. Under direction of W. W. Griest, Secy of the Commonwealth. v. 1–12. Harrisburg: 1900–02. 8°.

v. 1. 1900. Papers of the Governors. 1681–1747.

v. 2. 1900. Papers of the Governors. 1747–1759.

v. 3. 1900. Papers of the Governors. 1759–1785.

v. 4. 1900. Papers of the Governors. 1785–1817.

v. 5. 1900. Papers of the Governors. 1817–1832.

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[a] For more detailed analysis of contents of third series consult Amer. Hist. Assoc. Report for 1904, 638–647.

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v. 6. 1901. Papers of the Governors. 1832–1845.
v. 7. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1845–1858.
v. 8. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1858–1871.
v. 9. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1871–1883.
v. 10. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1883–1891.
v. 11. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1891–1897.
v. 12. 1902. Papers of the Governors. 1897–1902.

Pennsylvania Archives. Fifth series; edited by Thomas Lynch Montgomery under the direction of the secretary of the commonwealth. Harrisburg. 1906. v. 1–8.

Contents almost entirely given over to muster rolls.

Pennsylvania Archives. Sixth series.

In preparation and press. Vol. 15 of this series will form an index for both the fifth and the sixth series.

COLONIAL RECORDS.

Minutes of the provincial council of Pennsylvania from the organization to the termination of the proprietary government, 1683–1776; Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania from its organization to the termination of the Revolution, 1776–1790; general index to the Colonial Records and the Pennsylvania Archives. Phila., Harrisburg, 1851–1860. Published by the state. 17 v. 8°.

v. 1. ed. 1. Harrisburg, T. Fenn, 1838. 3 ll., xlviii, 602 pp. 8°. ed. 2. Phila., J. Severns and co., 1852. 624 pp. ed. 2. Memorial of the Amer. Philosophical Society, and of the Historical Society of Penn., to the legislature of 1836–7 on the subject of printing the records. pp. 9–11. Report of the committee of the House of Representatives on the subject of printing the records. pp. 12–15. Extract from the act of April 4th, 1837, authorizing the printing of the Minutes of the Provincial Council. pp. 15–16. Extract from the act of April 14th, 1838, relative to the printing and distribution of colonial records. pp. 16–17. The charter of Penn., granted by Charles the Second to William Penn. Jan. 26, 1682. pp. 17–26. Certain conditions or concessions agreed upon by Wm. Penn, and the first adventures and purchasers in Penn. July 11, 1681. pp. 26–29. The frame of the government of the province of Penn., together with certain Laws agreed upon in England, April 25th, 1682. pp. 29–42. The frame of government of the province of Penn. and Territories granted by Wm. Penn, April 2, 1683. pp. 42–48. The frame of government passed by William Markham, Governor, November 7, 1696. pp. 48–55. Minutes of the provincial council, from March 10, 1682/83, to November 27, 1700. pp. 57–624.

v. 2. ed. 1. Harrisburg, T. Fenn, 1838. 3 ll., (1), 4–662 pp. 8°. ed. 2. Phila., J. Severns and co., 1852. 631 pp. 8°. ed. 2. Minutes of the Provincial Council, Dec. 18, 1700, to May 16, 1717.

v. 3. ed. 1. Harrisburg, T. Fenn, 1840. 7 ll., 674 pp. 8°. Phila., J. Severns and co., 1852. 620 pp. 8°. ed. 2. Minutes of the provincial council, May 31, 1717, to Jan. 23, 1735–6.

v. 4. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1851. xiii, 783 pp. Extract from the annual message of the governor transmitted to the Senate and House of Representatives, read Jan. 8th, 1851. pp. 1. Report of the select committee of the Senate. pp. 1–10. Report of the select committee of the House of Representatives. pp. 10–13. Act providing for the publication of the colonial records and other original papers in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. pp. 14–16. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Pennsylvania, from Feb. 7, 1735–6, to Oct. 15, 1745. pp. 17–783.

v. 5. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1851. xv, 777 pp. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., Dec. 17, 1745, to March 20, 1754. 777 pp.

v. 6. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1851. pp. xv, 784 pp. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., April 2, 1754, to Jan. 29, 1756. 784 pp.

v. 7. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1851. pp. xvi, 783. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., Jan. 29, 1756, to Jan. 11, 1758. 783 pp.

v. 8. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1852. pp. xv. 781. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., from Jan. 13, 1757, to 4 of Oct., 1762. 781 pp.

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v. 9. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1852. pp. xi, 784. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., Oct. 15, 1762, to 17 of Oct., 1771. 781 pp.

v. 10. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1852. xii, 784 pp. Minutes of the Provincial Council of Penn., from Oct. 18, 1771, to Sept. 27, 1775. 276 pp. Minutes of the Council of Safety of the Province of Penn., from June 30, 1775, to Nov. 12, 1776. pp. 279–784.

vol. 11. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1852. xv, 784 pp. Minutes of the Council of Safety of Penn., from Nov. 13, 1776, to March 17, 1777. 170 pp. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Penn., from March 4, 1777, to Oct. 17, 1777. pp. 173–322. Minutes of the Council of Safety for the State of Penn., from Oct. 17, 1777, to Dec. 6, 1777. pp. 325–353. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of the Commonwealth of Penn. from Oct. 18, 1777, to May 20, 1779. pp. 357–784.

v. 12. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1853. pp. xiii, 784 pp. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council from May 21, 1779, to July 12, 1781. 784 pp.

v. 13. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1853. pp. xii, 778. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council from July 13, 1781, to Dec. 31, 1783. 778 pp.

v. 14. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1853. pp. ix, 672. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council from Jan. 1, 1784, to April 3, 1786. 672 pp.

v. 15. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1853. xii, 660 pp. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council from April 4, 1786, to Feb. 6, 1789. 660 pp.

v. 16. Harrisburg, Theo. Fenn and co., 1853. xi, 548 pp. Minutes of the Supreme Executive Council from Feb. 7, 1789, to Dec. 20, 1790. 548 pp.

v. 17. Phila., J. Severns and co., 1860. pp. vi, 1 l., 653. General index to the colonial records, 16 vols., and to the Penn. Archives in 12 vols., prepared and arranged by Samuel Hazard under an act of the General Assembly of Penn. 653 pp. Index to Colonial Records. vols. 1 to 16, inclusive. 433 pp. Index to Penn. Archives. vols. 1 to 12, inclusive. pp. 437–653.

PROPRIETARY GOVERNMENT.

1681-1776.

CHARTERS, ETC.

COLLECTIONS.

1740. A collection of charters and other public acts relating to the Province of Pennsylvania. . . . Philadelphia, Franklin, 1740. (1), 46 pp. F°.

I. Royal charter to Penn. II. First Frame of Government, 1682. III. Laws agreed upon in England. IV. Certain conditions or concessions. V. Act of Settlement, 1682. VI. Second Frame of Government, 1683. VII. Charter of Philadelphia, 1701. VIII. Charter of Privileges to the Province, 1701.

1742. The Charters of the Province of Pennsilvania and City of Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1742. 30 pp. F°.

Printed to accompany the Collection of Laws published this year.

1743. Der Neue Charter. Oder Schrifftliche Versicherung; der Freyheiten. . . . Germantown, Saur, 1743. 55 pp. sm. 4°.

Contains Penn's charter of 1701, Charles II's grant to Penn, Frame of Government 1682, Laws agreed upon in England, Conditions and Concessions 1681, Act of Settlement 1682, Extracts from charter of Phila., Abstract of the Poor Laws, etc.

SEPARATE ISSUES.

1681, Mar. 4. Royal charter to William Penn, Proprietary and Governor of Pennsylvania. 33 Charles II.

Printed copy.

1689. Philadelphia, Bradford. 4 pp. F°.
1740. Collection of Charters.
1742. Collection of Laws.
1742. Charters of the Province.
1743. Der neue Charter.
1752. Votes of Assembly i: xviii–xxiv.
1762. Charters and Acts.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., i: 171–187.
1834. Hazard. Penn. Register, i: 293–297.
1838. Colon. Records of Penn., (ed. 1) i: ix–xviii.

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1850. Hazard. Annals of Penn., 488 et seq.
1852. Colon. Records of Penn., (ed. 2) i: 17 et seq.
1869. Mombert. Authentic Hist. of Lancaster Co., app., 1–11.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1509–1515.
1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, i: 1–18.

Facsimile copy.

1879. Penna. Charter and Laws. (Duke of York's Laws.) (pocket.)
1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, i. frtsp. (reduced).

1681, Apr. 2. Declaration issued by the King to the Inhabitants and Planters of Penn.

1752. Votes of Assembly, i: xxiv.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., i: 189.

1681, July 11. Certain conditions, or concessions, agreed upon by William Penn, Proprietary and governor of Pennsylvania, and those who are the adventurers and purchasers in the same province.

1742. Charters of the Province.
1743. Der neue Charter.
1752. Votes of Assembly, i: xxiv–xxvi.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., ii, app. 1–5.
1834. Hazard. Penn. Register, i: 324–326.
1838. Colon. Records of Penn. (ed. 1), i: xviii–xxi.
1850. Hazard. Annals of Penn., 516.
1852. Colon. Records of Penn. (ed. 2), i: 26 et seq.
1869. Mombert. Hist. Lancaster co., app. 12–15.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1516–1518.
1879. Penna. charter and laws, 91 et seq.
1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, i: 18–23.

1682, Apr. 25. Frame of government of the Province of Pennsylvania, together with certain laws agreed upon in England, May 5, 1682.

1742. Der neue Charter.
1752. Votes of Assembly, i: xxvii–xxxv.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., ii, app.
1834. Hazard. Penn. Register, i: 337–340, 357–359.
1838. Colon. Records of Penn. (ed. 1), i: xxi–xxix.
1850. Hazard. Annals of Penn., 558 et seq.
1852. Colon. Records of Penn. (ed. 2), i: 29–42.
1869. Mombert. Hist. of Lancaster co., 16–29.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1518–1520.
1879. Penna. Charter and Laws (Duke of York's Laws), 91–103.
1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, i: 24–44.

In the Assembly session of Dec. 6, 1682 (v. 1, p. 4, Votes of assem.), there is a report of a debate as to whether the printed and written constitutions should be admitted as laws for a time, viz, to the next sitting of Assembly, or not. At this session, also, an act was passed that the laws of the colony be printed and taught in the schools. Again, in the session of March, 1683, it is stated that "the printed charter of liberties having been read, etc.," all of which might indicate earlier prints of the above item than any so far found.

1682, Aug. 21. Duke of York's deed of release of the Province of Pennsylvania to William Penn.

1752. Votes of assembly, i: xxxv–xxxvi.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., i: 200–201.
1834. Hazard. Penn. Register, i: 429–430.

1683, Apr. 2. Frame of government granted by William Penn.

Printed copy.

1689. Philadelphia, Bradford. 16 pp. cm. 8°.
1752. Votes of Assembly, app. pt. 1, v. 1: iv–vii.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., ii app. 21–29.
1838. Colon. Records of Penn. (ed. 1), i: xxxiv–xli.
1852. ib. (ed. 2), i: 42 et seq.
1869. Mombert. Hist. of Lancaster co., app. 30–37.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1527–1531.
1879. Penna. Charter and Laws (Duke of York's Laws), 155 et seq.
1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, i: 45–55.

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1900. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, ii. frtsp (reduced).

1696, Nov. 7. Frame of government passed by William Markham.

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6. 1711, Aug. 6–11. Not currently printed.
7. 1711, Sept. 20. Not currently printed.

1. 1711, Oct. 15–16.[a]
2. 1711, Dec. 31–1712, Jun. 2.
3. 1712, Apr. 28–June 7.

} Not found.

1. 1712, Oct. 14–16.[b]
2. 1712, Dec. 15.
3. 1713, Jan. 12–16.
4. 1713, Feb. 2–24.
5. 1713, Feb. 23–28.

} Not found.

6. 1713, Sept. 23. No laws passed.

1. 1713, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1713, Dec. 28–1714, Jan. 23.
3. 1714, Feb. 8–9.
4. 1714, Feb. 15–17.
5. 1714, May 17.
6. 1714, Aug. 2–7.

} No laws passed.

1. 1714, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1714, Dec. 13–16.
3. 1715, Jan. 3.
4. 1715, Jan. 11–29.
5. 1715, Feb. 7–24.
6. 1715, Mar. 7–26.
7. 1715, May 2–7.
8. 1715, May 16–17.
9. 1715, May 23–28.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1715. 2 ll., 101–274 pp. F°.[b]

10. 1715, June 9–11.
11. 1715, Sept. 21.

} No acts passed.

1. 1715, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1715, Oct. 24–29.

} Not found; two acts passed.

3. 1716, May 1–4.
4. 1716, June 4–6.
5. 1716, Aug. 6–7.

} No acts passed.

1. 1716, Oct. 15–20.
2. 1716, Oct. 29–Nov. 3.
3. 1716, Dec. 31–1717 Jan. 1.
4. 1717, Mar. 18–20.
5. 1717, May 16.

} No acts passed.

6. 1717, Aug. 19–31. Not found; two acts passed.

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[a] See Hildeburn no. 117. "Act of Assembly, 1712. Philadelphia, Taylor. No copy known to be extant. Mr. Kite says (The Friend xvii: 44): "In 1712, he (Jacob Taylor) printed some of the Acts of the Legislature, which he complains did not sell to afford him any profit."

[b] Andrew Bradford's account for printing 60 vols. of the laws of the Province, passed in 1714, was allowed on Oct. 29, 1715. (Penn. Votes and Proc. ii: 187.)

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1. 1717, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1718, Jan. 6–17.
3. 1718, Feb. 10–22.
4. 1718, May 5–7.
5. 1718, May 19–24.
6. 1718, May 28–31.
7. 1718, Sept. 15–19.

} Not found.

1. 1718, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1718, Dec. 15–20.
3. 1719, Jan. 9–14.

} No acts passed.

4. 1719, Apr. 20–25. Philadelphia, Bradford, 1719. 5 ll. F°.

5. 1719, May 6–9.
6. 1719, Aug. 3.
7. 1719, Aug. 17–21.

} No acts passed.

1. 1719, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1719, Jan. 4–9.
3. 1720, May 2–5.
4. 1720, Aug. 15–18.

} No acts passed.

1. 1720, Oct. 14–15. No acts passed.
2. 1721, Feb. 6–25. Philadelphia, Bradford, 1721. 12 pp. F°.
3. 1721, Aug. 14–26. Philadelphia, Bradford, 1721. 1 l., 13–30 pp. F°.

1. 1721, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1721/22, Jan. 2–20.
3. 1721/22, Jan. 29.
4. 1721/22, Feb. 12.
5. 1721/22, Feb. 26–Mar. 9.
6. 1722, Apr. 23–May 23.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1722. (1), 33–90 pp. F°.

7. 1722, July 23–Aug. 4. Not found.

1. 1722, Oct. 15–16.
2. 1722, Dec. 31–1722/23, Jan. 12.
3. 1722/23, Jan. 21–Feb. 16.
4. 1722/23, Feb. 25–Mar. 2.
5. 1723, Mar. 18–30.
6. 1723, May 6–11.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1723. 47 pp. F°.

1. 1723, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1723, Nov. 4–9.
3. 1723, Nov. 18–Dec. 13.
4. 1724, Apr. 27–May 9.
5. 1724, Aug. 10–15.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1723. 28 pp. F°.

1. 1724, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1724/25, Jan. 4–16.
3. 1724/25, Feb. 1–13.
4. 1724/25, Mar. 1–6.
5. 1724/25, Mar. 15–20.
6. 1725, Aug. 9–14.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1725. 37 pp. F°.

1. 1725, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1725, Nov. 22–27.
3. 1725, Dec. 6–10.

} No acts passed.

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4. 1726, Jan. 10–22.
5. 1726, Feb. 14–Mar. 5.
6. 1726, May 30–June 4.
7. 1726, Aug. 1–6.
} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1726. 28 pp. F°.

1. 1726, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1726, Nov. 21–26.
3. 1726, Dec. 5–10.
4. 1727, Mar. 27–Apr. 1.
5. 1727, Apr. 24–May 6.
} No acts passed.

6. 1727, Aug. 7–18.
7. 1727, Aug. 24–26.
} Not found; six acts passed.

1. 1727, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1728, Jan. 22–27.
3. 1728, Apr. 15–20.
4. 1728, May 14–19.
5. 1728, Aug. 5–17.
} No acts passed.

1. 1728, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1728, Dec. 16–21.
3. 1728, Dec. 30–1729, Jan. 4.
4. 1729, Feb. 3–22.
5. 1729, Mar. 24–Apr. 5.
} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1729. (1), 353–387 pp. F°.
6. 1729, Apr. 28–May 10. Not found.

7. 1729, Aug. 7–12.
8. 1729, Aug. 20–23.
} No acts passed.

1. 1729, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1730, Jan. 12–Feb. 14.
} Philadelphia, Franklin and Meredith, 1730. (1), 3–47 pp. 4°.[a]
3. 1730, Aug. 3–15. Philadelphia, Franklin and Meredith, 1730. (1), 51–57 pp. 4°.

1. 1730, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1731, Jan. 4–Feb. 6.
} Philadelphia, Franklin and Meredith, n. d. (1), 61–89 pp. 4°.
3. 1731, Aug. 2–13. No laws passed.

1. 1731, Oct. 14–Nov. 27. Not found.
2. 1732, Jan. 10–20. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1731. (1), 93–95 pp. F°.
3. 1732, July 31–Aug. 15. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1732. (1), 99–102 pp. F°.
4. [1732, Sept. 30–?.] Not in votes of Assembly.

1. 1732, Oct. 14–24.
2. 1733, Aug. 6–11.
} No laws passed.
3. [1733, Sept. 30–?.] Not in votes of Assembly.

1. 1733, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1733, Dec. 17–1734, Jan. 19.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1733. (1), 105–128 pp. F°.
3. 1734, Aug. 12–17. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1733. (1), 131–133 pp. F°.

1. 1734, Oct. 14–18.
2. 1735, Jan. 13–25.
3. 1735, Mar. 17–29.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, n. d. (1), 137–154 pp. F°.
4. 1735, June 16–24. Not found.
5. 1735, Sept. 15–20. No laws passed.

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[a] Reprinted. Philadelphia, B. Franklin, 1734. 34 pp. F°.

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2. 1736, Jan. 12–Feb. 20.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1736 (1), 157–169 pp. F°.
3. 1736, Aug. 9–14. No laws passed.

1. 1736, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1736, Dec. 6–11.
3. 1737, May 2–4.
4. 1737, Aug. 8–13.
} No laws passed.

1. 1737, Oct. 14–15. No laws passed.
2. 1738, Aug. 7–Sept. 2. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1738. (1), 173–189 pp. F°.

1. 1738, Oct. 14–20.
2. 1739, Jan. 1–24.
3. 1739, May 1–19.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1739. (1), 193–228 (1) pp. F°.
4. 1739, Aug. 6–11. No laws passed.

1. 1739, Oct. 15–18.
2. 1739, Nov. 19–28.
3. 1739, Dec. 31–1740, Jan. 26.
4. 1740, Mar. 27–28.
5. 1740, May 5–15.
6. 1740, Aug. 2–9.
7. 1740, Aug. 25–Sept. 3.
} No laws passed.

1. 1740, Oct. 1–16.
2. 1741, Jan. 5–8.
3. 1741, Apr. 20–21.
4. 1741, May 25–June 6.
5. 1741, Aug. 10–22.
6. 1741, Sept. 22.
} No laws passed.

1. 1741, Oct. 14–22.
2. 1742, Jan. 4–16.
3. 1742, May 17–29.
4. 1742, Aug. 16–28.
} No laws passed.

1. 1742, Oct. 14–Nov. 6. No laws passed.
2. 1743, Jan. 3–Feb. 3. Not found; six acts passed.
3. 1743, May 2–4.
4. 1743, Aug. 1–13.
} No laws passed.

1. 1743, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1743, Nov. 14–Dec. 8.
} No laws passed.
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4. 1745, Apr. 22–26.
5. 1745, June 3–6.
6. 1745, July 22–24.
7. 1745, Aug. 19–23.
8. 1745, Sept. 4–7.
} No acts passed.

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1. 1745, Oct. 14–15. No acts passed.
2. 1746, Jan. 6–Feb. 5. } Philadelphia, Franklin, 1746. (1), 25–59 pp. F°.
3. 1746, Feb. 24–Mar. 7. }
4. 1746, May 19–21. No acts passed.
5. 1746, June 9–24. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1746. 61–69 pp. F°.
6. 1746, Aug. 18–23. No acts passed.

1. 1746, Oct. 14–17. } No acts passed.
2. 1747, Jan. 5–14. }
3. 1747, May 4–9. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1747. (1), iii–iv pp. F°.
4. 1747, Aug. 17–26. No acts passed.

1. 1747, Oct. 14–17. } No acts passed.
2. 1747, Nov. 23–28.
3. 1748, Jan. 4–9.
4. 1748, May 16–21.
5. 1748, June 8–11.
6. 1748, Aug. 22–Sept. 3.

1. 1748, Oct. 14–15. } No acts passed.
2. 1748, Nov. 7–12. }
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1. 1749, Oct. 14–18. } No acts passed.
2. 1749, Nov. 20–25. }
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4. 1750, Aug. 6–18. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1750. pp. 123–125. F°.

1. 1750, Oct. 15–20. No acts passed.
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7. 1752, Aug. 10–22. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1752. pp. 187–208. F°.

1. 1752, Oct. 14–17. } No acts passed.
2. 1753, Jan. 15–27.
3. 1753, May 21–June 1.
4. 1753, Aug. 27–Sept. 11.

1. 1753, Oct. 15–17. } No acts passed.
2. 1754, Feb. 4–Mar. 9.
3. 1754, Apr. 2–13.
4. 1754, May 6–18.
5. 1754, Aug. 16–17.

1. 1754, Oct. 14–19. No acts passed.
2. 1754, Dec. 2–1755, Jan. 9. No acts passed.
3. 1755, Mar. 17–Apr. 9. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1755 211–214 pp. F°.
4. 1755, May 12–17. No acts passed.
5. 1755, June 13–28. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1755. 217–222 pp. F°.
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5. 1756, May 10–14. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1756. 273–274 pp. F°.
6. 1756, May 24–June 4. Not found; one act passed.
7. 1756, June 28–July 5. No acts passed.
8. 1756, July 19–22. No acts passed.
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5. 1757, Aug. 8–Sept. 3. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1757. 365–372 pp. F°.
6. 1757, Sept. 12–30. Not found; two acts passed.

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2. 1758, Jan. 2–Apr. 8. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1758. 393–407 pp. F°.
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1. 1758, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1758, Nov. 15–Dec. 6.
3. 1758, Dec. 20–23.
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6. 1759, July 2–7. Not found; one act passed.
7. 1759, Aug. 29–Sept. 1. No laws passed.
8. 1759, Sept. 10–30. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1759. (1), 517–526 pp. F°.

1. 1759, Oct. 15–20.
2. 1759, Nov. 2–20.
} Philadelpha, Franklin, 1759. (1), 529–530 pp. F°.
3. 1759, Dec. 3–8. No laws passed.
4. 1760, Feb. 11–Mar. 8.
5. 1760, Mar. 17–19.
6. 1760, Mar. 24–Apr. 12.
7. 1760, Sept. 8–13.
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4. 1762, May 3–14. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1762. (1), 215–220 pp. F°.
5. 1762, Sept. 6–7.
6. 1762, Sept. 20–25.
} No laws passed.

1. 1762, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1763, Jan. 10–Mar. 4.
3. 1763, Mar. 28–Apr. 2.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1763. (1), 223–276 pp. F°.
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5. 1763, Sept. 12–30. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1763. (1), 289–296 pp. F°.

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1. 1763, Oct. 14–22. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1763. (1), 299–311 pp. F°.
2. 1763, Dec. 19–24. No laws passed.
3. 1764, Jan. 2–Mar. 24. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1764. (1), 315–330 pp. F°.
4. 1764, May 14–30. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1764. (1), 333–358 pp. F°.
5. 1764, Sept. 10–22. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1764. (1), 361–369 pp. F°.

1. 1764, Oct. 15–26.
2. 1765, Jan. 7–Feb. 15. } Philadelphia, Franklin, 1765. (1), 373–410 pp. F°.
3. 1765, May 18. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1765. (1), 413–428 pp. F°.
4. 1765, Sept. 9–21. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1765. (1), 431–448 pp. F°.

1. 1765, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1766, Jan. 6–Feb. 8. } Philadelphia, Hall, 1766. (1), 451–485 pp. F°.
3. 1766, May 5–9.
4. 1766, June 2–6. } No laws passed.
5. 1766, Sept. 8–20. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1766. (1), 489–498 pp. F°.

1. 1766, Oct. 14–18.
2. 1767, Jan. 5–Feb. 21. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1767. (1), 501–538 pp. F°.
3. 1767, May 4–20. Philadelphia, Goddard, 1767. (1), 541–584 pp. F°.
4. 1767, Sept. 14–26. Philadelphia, Goddard, 1767. (1), 587–594 pp. F°.
Same. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1767. (1), 587–593 pp. F°.

1. 1767, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1768, Jan. 4–Feb. 20. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1768. (1), 597–636 pp. F°. Philadelphia, Goddard, 1768. (1), 3–44 (1) pp. F°.
3. 1768, May 10–11.
4. 1768, Sept. 12–24. } No laws passed.

1. 1768, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1769, Feb. 2–18. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1769. (1), 639–737 (1) pp. F°. Philadelphia, Miller, 1769. (1), 3–101 pp. F°.
3. 1769, May 8–27. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1769. (1), 741–744 pp. F°.
Philadelphia, Miller, 1769. (1), 105–108 (1) pp. F°.
4. 1769, Sept. 18–30. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1769. (1), 749–754 pp. F°.
Philadelphia, Goddard, 1769. (1), 113–120 pp. F°.

1. 1769, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1770, Jan. 1–Feb. 24. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1770. (1), 3–34 pp. F°.
3. 1770, May 14–16. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1770. (1), 37–38 pp. F°.
4. 1770, Sept. 17–29. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1770. (1), 41–50 pp. F°.

1. 1770, Oct. 15–19.
2. 1771, Jan. 7–Mar. 9. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1771. (1), 53–153 (1) pp. F°.
3. 1771, Sept. 16–25. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1771. (1), 157–165 pp. F°.

1. 1771, Oct. 14–19.
2. 1772, Jan. 6–Mar. 21. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1772. (1), 169–286 pp. F°.
3. 1772, May 18–19. No laws passed.
4. 1772, Sept. 14–19. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1772. (1), 289–290 pp. F°.

1. 1772, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1773, Jan. 4–Feb. 26. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1773. (1), 293–355 pp. F°.
3. 1773, Sept. 20–28. Phildelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1773. (1), 359–364 pp. F°.

1. 1773, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1773, Nov. 29–1774, Jan. 22. } Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1774. (1), 367–407 pp. F°.
3. 1774, July 18–23. [Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1774.] pp. 409–411. F°.
4. 1774, Sept. 19–29. Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1774. (1), 413–436 pp. F°.

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1. 1774, Oct. 14–21.
2. 1774, Dec. 5–24.
3. 1775, Feb. 20–Mar. 18.

} Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1775. (1), 439–464 pp. F°.

4. 1775, May 1–13. No laws passed.
5. 1775, June 19–30.
6. 1775, Sept. 18–30.

} Not found.

1. 1775, Oct. 14–Nov. 25.
2. 1776, Feb. 12–Apr. 6.

} Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1776. (1), ? pp.[a] F°.

3. 1776, May 20–June 14.
4. 1776, Aug. 26–28.
5. 1776, Sept. 23–26.

} No laws passed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

COLLECTIONS.

Votes and proceedings of the House of Representatives of the Province of Pennsylvania. F°.

v. 1. 1682–1707. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1752. Pt. 1, (1), lii–xxxviii, 164, xxix pp. Pt. 2, (1), viii, 187 pp.
v. 2. 1707–1726. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1753. (1), 494 pp.
v. 3. 1726–1744. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1754. 591 pp.
v. 4. 1744–1758. Philadelphia, Miller, 1774. (1), 856 pp.
v. 5. 1758–1767. Philadelphia, Miller, 1775. (1), 560 pp.
v. 6. 1767–1776. Philadelphia, Miller, 1776. (1), 766 (1) pp.

SESSION ISSUES.

1. 1722, Oct. 1–16.
2. 1722, Dec. 31–1723, Jan. 12.
3. 1723, Jan. 21–Feb. 16.
4. 1723, Feb. 25–Mar. 2.
5. 1723, Mar. 18–30.
6. 1723, May 6–11.

} Not currently printed.

1. 1723, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1723, Nov. 4–9.
3. 1723, Nov. 18–Dec. 13.
4. 1724, Apr. 27–May 9.
5. 1724, Aug. 10–15.

} Not currently printed.

1. 1724, Oct. 14–16
2. 1725, Jan. 4–16

} Philadelphia, Keimer, n. d. 12 pp. F°.[b]

3. 1725, Feb. 1–13.
4. 1725, Mar. 1–6.
5. 1725, Mar. 15–20.

} Philadelphia, Bradford, 1725. vi, 42 pp. F°.[c]

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[a] Not seen; entry as given in Hildeburn.

[b] From Oct. 14, 1724, to Jan 16, 1724–25, when the House adjourned till Feb. 1. Bradford printed a continuation to Feb. 6, with the following heading: "A Journal of the Votes and Proceedings of the House of Representatives of the Province of Pennsylvania. February 1, 1724–25. Folio, pp. 16+. Sheets C and D correspond closely with the same signatures of the volume next described, but on comparing them several differences appear which show this to have been the earlier edition." (Hildeburn, 72.)

[c] Published in two parts, the first, containing the proceedings from Oct. 14, 1724, to March 6, 1725, when the House adjourned to Mar. 15, ends on p. 34 with a colophon. The remainder, pp. 35–48 (*sic*), contains the proceedings from Mar. 15 to 20, when the House adjourned to Aug. 9. (Hildeburn, 72.)

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6. 1725, Aug. 9–14. Not found.

1. 1725, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1725, Nov. 22–27. } n. p. Keimer, n. d. 4 pp. F°. Oct. 14–Nov. 2 (*sic*), 1725.

3. 1725, Dec. 6–10.
4. 1726, Jan. 10–22.[a]
5. 1726, Feb. 14–Mar. 5.
6. 1726, May 30–June 4.
7. 1726, Aug. 1–6.

1. 1726, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1726, Nov. 21–26.
3. 1726, Dec. 5–10.

NOTE.—Hildeburn, nos. 276 and 277, records two issues of the Votes of the House for 1726, one published by Keimer of 50 pp. and one by Bradford, no paging given. Dates are given in neither case, nor is the place of deposit given. The votes of Nov. 22–27 were ordered printed Nov. 27 (Votes, etc., ii: 461), those of Dec. 6–10 were ordered printed Dec. 10 (ib., 465) and those of Jan. 10–22 were ordered printed on Jan. 15 (ib., 467). Keimer was specifically ordered to do this work. The votes of Aug. 1–6 were ordered printed (ib., 494).

4. 1727, Mar. 27–Apr. 1.
5. 1727, Apr. 24–May 6.
6. 1727, Aug. 7–18.
7. 1727, Aug. 24–26.

Hildeburn, no. 306, records an issue of the House Journal published by Bradford in 1727, 38 pp. F°. Neither date of period covered nor place of deposit is given.[a]

1. 1727, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1728, Jan. 22–27.
3. 1728, Apr. 15–20.
4. 1728, May 14–19. } Philadelphia, Bradford, n. d. pp. 1–22. F°.[b]

5. 1728, Aug. 5–17. Not found; ordered printed; see p. 60, v. 3 Votes, etc., 1754.

1. 1728, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1728, Dec. 16–21.
3. 1728, Dec. 30–1729, Jan. 4.
4. 1729, Feb. 3–22.
5. 1729, Mar. 24–Apr. 5.
6. 1729, Apr. 28–May 10.
7. 1729, Aug. 7–12.
8. 1729, Aug. 20–23. } Not found.

1. 1729, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1730, Jan. 12–Feb. 14.
3. 1730, Aug. 3–15. } Philadelphia, Franklin and Meredith, 1730. 38 pp. F°.

1. 1730, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1731, Jan. 4–Feb. 6. Philadelphia, Franklin and Meredith, 1731. 80 pp. F°.
3. 1731, Aug. 2–13.

1. 1731, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1732, Jan. 10–20. } n. p., n. d. 3–22 pp. F°.

3. 1732, July 31–Aug. 15.
4. [1732, Sept. 30–?] } Not found.

1. 1732, Oct. 14–24.
2. 1733, Aug. 6–11.
3. 1733, Sept. 30–? } Not found.

1. 1733, Oct. 15–17. Not found.
2. 1733, Dec. 17–1734, Jan 19. n. p., n. d. 7–50 pp. F°.
3. 1734, Aug. 12–17. Not found.

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[a] Issued at four different times; the first three parts have the imprint at the end. It is omitted for want of space in the last.

[b] The copy in the N. Y. Public Library has pp. 23–38, Aug. 5–17, inserted in ms.

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1. 1734, Oct. 14–18. Philadelphia, Franklin, 1734. 10 pp. F°.

2. 1735, Jan. 13–25.
3. 1735, Mar. 17–29.
4. 1735, June 16–24.
5. 1735, Sept. 15–20.
} Not found.

1. 1735, Oct. 14–15. Not found.
2. 1736, Jan. 12–Feb. 20. n. p., n. d. pp. 57–72. F°.
3. 1736, Aug. 9–14. Not found.

1. 1736, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1736, Dec. 6–11.
3. 1737, May 2–4.
4. 1737, Aug. 8–13.
} Not found.

1. 1737, Oct. 14–15. Not found.
2. 1738, Aug. 7–Sept. 2. [Philadelphia, Franklin, 1737.] 5–36 pp. F°.

1. 1738, Oct. 14–20.
2. 1739, Jan. 1–24.
} Not found.

3. 1739, May 1–19.
4. 1739, Aug. 6–11.
} [Philadelphia, Franklin, 1738.] 35–60 (2) pp. F°.

1. 1739, Oct. 15–18.
2. 1739, Nov. 19–28.
3. 1739, Dec. 31–1740, Jan. 26.
4. 1740, Mar. 27–28.
5. 1740, May 5–15.
6. 1740, Aug. 2–9.
7. 1740, Aug. 25–Sept. 3.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1739. 131 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1740, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1741, Jan. 5–8.
3. 1741, Apr. 20–21.
4. 1741, May 25–June 6.
5. 1741, Aug. 10–22.
6. 1741, Sept. 22.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1741. 33 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1741, Oct. 14–22.
2. 1742, Jan. 4–16.
3. 1742, May 17–29.
4. 1742, Aug. 16–28.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1741. 92 pp. F°.

1. 1742, Oct. 14–Nov. 6.
2. 1743, Jan. 3–Feb. 3.
3. 1743, May 2–4.
4. 1743, Aug. 1–13.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1743. 114 pp. F°.

1. 1743, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1743, Nov. 14–Dec. 8.
3. 1744, May 7–26.
4. 1744, July 30–Aug. 11.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1744. 54 pp. F°.

1. 1744, Oct. 15–19.
2. 1745, Jan. 7–10.
3. 1745, Feb. 25–28.
4. 1745, Apr. 22–26.
5. 1745, June 3–6.
6. 1745, July 22–24.
7. 1745, Aug. 19–23.
8. 1745, Sept. 4–7.
} Philadelphia, Franklin, 1745. 54 pp. F°.

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1. 1745, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1746, Jan. 6–Feb. 5.
3. 1746, Feb. 24–Mar. 7.
4. 1746, May 19–21.
5. 1746, June 9–24.
6. 1746, Aug. 18–23.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1746. 1 l., 3–59 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1746, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1747, Jan. 5–14.
3. 1747, May 4–9.
4. 1747, Aug. 17–26.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1747. 36, 1 l., pp. F°.

1. 1747, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1747, Nov. 23–28.
3. 1748, Jan. 4–9.
4. 1748, May 16–21.
5. 1748, June 8–11.
6. 1748, Aug. 22–Sept. 3.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1748. 55 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1748, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1748, Nov. 7–12.
3. 1749, Jan. 2–Feb. 4.
4. 1749, Aug. 7–19.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1749. 1 l., 3–57 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1749, Oct. 14–18.
2. 1749, Nov. 20–25.
3. 1750, Jan. 1–27.
4. 1750, Aug. 6–18.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1750. 77 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1750, Oct. 15–20.
2. 1751, Jan. 7–Feb. 9.
3. 1751, May 6–11.
4. 1751, Aug. 12–24.
5. 1751, Oct. 14–16.
6. 1752, Feb. 3–Mar. 11.
7. 1752, Aug. 10–22.

Not found.

1. 1752, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1753, Jan. 15–27.
3. 1753, May 21–June 1.
4. 1753, Aug. 27–Sept. 11.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1753. 52 pp. F°.

1. 1753, Oct. 15–17.
2. 1754, Feb. 4–Mar. 9.
3. 1754, Apr. 2–13.
4. 1754, May 6–18.
5. 1754, Aug. 16–17.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1754. 78 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1754, Oct. 14–19.
2. 1754, Dec. 2–1755, Jan. 9.
3. 1755, Mar. 17–Apr. 9.
4. 1755, May 12–17.
5. 1755, June 13–28.
6. 1755, July 23–Aug. 22.
7. 1755, Sept. 15–30.

Philadelphia, Franklin, 1755. 187 (1), 4 pp. F°.

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1. 1755, Oct. 14–18. 2. 1755, Nov. 3–Dec. 3. 3. 1756, Feb. 3–Mar. 17. 4. 1756, Apr. 5–16. 5. 1756, May 10–14. 6. 1756, May 24–June 4. 7. 1756, June 28–July 5. 8. 1756, July 19–22. 9. 1756, Aug. 16–Sept. 24.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1756. 174 pp. F°.
1. 1756, Oct. 14–Nov. 4. 2. 1756, Nov. 22–Dec. 24. 3. 1757, Jan. 3–Apr. 9. 4. 1757, May 30–June 25. 5. 1757, Aug. 8–Sept. 3. 6. 1757, Sept. 12–30.	Not found.
1. 1757, Oct. 14–21. 2. 1758, Jan. 2–Apr. 8. 3. 1758, Apr. 18–May 3. 4. 1758, Sept. 4–30.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1758. 94 pp. F°.
1. 1758, Oct. 14–16. 2. 1758, Nov. 15–Dec. 6. 3. 1758, Dec. 20–23. 4. 1759, Feb. 5–7. 5. 1759, Feb. 26–June 20. 6. 1759, July 2–7. 7. 1759, Aug. 29–Sept. 1. 8. 1759, Sept. 10–30.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1759. 111 (1) pp. F°.
1. 1759, Oct. 15–20. 2. 1759, Nov. 2–20. 3. 1759, Dec. 3–8. 4. 1760, Feb. 11–Mar. 8. 5. 1760, Mar. 17–19. 6. 1760, Mar. 24–Apr. 12. 7. 1760, Sept. 8–13. 8. 1760, Sept. 22–27.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1760. 1 l., 3–58 pp. F°.
1. 1760, Oct. 14–18. 2. 1761, Jan. 5–9. 3. 1761, Jan. 26–Mar. 14. 4. 1761, Apr. 2–23. 5. 1761, Sept. 7–26.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1761. 1 l., 3–80 pp. F°.
1. 1761, Oct. 14–17. 2. 1762, Jan. 4–Feb. 17. 3. 1762, Mar. 8–25. 4. 1762, May 3–14. 5. 1762, Sept. 6–7. 6. 1762, Sept. 20–25.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1762. 58 (1) pp. F°.
1. 1762, Oct. 14–16. 2. 1763, Jan. 10–Mar. 4. 3. 1763, Mar. 28–Apr. 2. 4. 1763, July 4–8. 5. 1763, Sept. 12–30.	Philadelphia, Franklin, 1763. 67 (1) pp. F°.

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1. 1763, Oct. 14–22.
2. 1763, Dec. 19–24.
3. 1764, Jan. 2–Mar. 24.
4. 1764, May 14–30.
5. 1764, Sept. 10–22.

} Philadelphia, Franklin and Hall, 1764. 113 pp. F°.

1. 1764, Oct. 15–26.
2. 1765, Jan. 7–Feb. 15.
3. 1765, May 18.
4. 1765, Sept. 9–21.

} Not found.

1. 1765, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1766, Jan. 6–Feb. 8.
3. 1766, May 5–9.
4. 1766, June 2–6.
5. 1766, Sept. 8–20.

} Not found.

1. 1766, Oct. 14–18.
2. 1767, Jan. 5–Feb. 21.
3. 1767, May 4–20.
4. 1767, Sept. 14–26.

} Not found.

1. 1767, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1768, Jan. 4–Feb. 20.
3. 1768, May 10–11.
4. 1768, Sept. 12–24.

} Philadelphia, Goddard, 1768. 137 pp. F°.

1. 1768, Oct. 14–15.
2. 1769, Feb. 2–18.
3. 1769, May 8–27.
4. 1769, Sept. 18–30.

} Philadelphia, Goddard, 1769. 109 pp. F°.

1. 1769, Oct. 14–17.
2. 1770, Jan. 1–Feb. 24.
3. 1770, May 14–16.
4. 1770, Sept. 17–29.

} Philadelphia, Miller, 1770. (1), 113–201 pp. F°.

1. 1770, Oct. 15–19.
2. 1771, Jan. 7–Mar. 9.
3. 1771, Sept. 16–25.

} Philadelphia, Miller, 1771. (1), 205–300 pp. F°.

1. 1771, Oct. 14–19.
2. 1772, Jan. 6–Mar. 21.
3. 1772, May 18–19.
4. 1772, Sept. 14–19.

} Philadelphia, Miller, 1772. (1), 303–412 pp. F°.

1. 1772, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1773, Jan. 4–Feb. 26.
3. 1773, Sept. 20–28.

1. 1773, Oct. 14–16.
2. 1773, Nov. 29–1774, Jan. 22.
3. 1774, July 18–23.
4. 1774, Sept. 19–29.

} During this time the votes were issued weekly by Miller of Philadelphia. Copies of these issues are in the Historical Socy. of Pennsylvania. See Hildeburn, nos. 2954, 2955, and 3304; collation not given.

1. 1774, Oct. 14–21.
2. 1774, Dec. 5–24.
3. 1775, Feb. 20–Mar. 18.
4. 1775, May 1–13.
5. 1775, June 19–30.
6. 1775, Sept. 18–30.

} Philadelphia, Miller, 1775. (1), 581–682 pp. F°.

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1. 1775, Oct. 14–Nov. 25.
2. 1776, Feb. 12–Apr. 6.
3. 1776, May 20–June 14.
4. 1776, Aug. 26–28.
5. 1776, Sept. 23–28.

} Not found.

From 1774 to 1776 these journals have been reprinted in the American Archives. A collation of this reprint is as follows:

1774, July 18–23. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 602–610.
1774, Sept. 19–23. ib., i: 794–795.
1774, Oct. 14–21. ib., i: 869–871.
1774, Dec. 5–24. ib., i: 1023–1025.
1775, Feb. 20–Mar. 15. ib., i: 1275–1282.
1775, May 1–13. ib., ii: 451–458.
1775, June 19–30. ib., ii: 1167–1174.
1775, Sept. 18–30. ib., iii: 871–878.
1775, Oct. 14–Nov. 25. ib., iii: 1763–1810.
1776, Feb. 12–Apr. 6. ib., v: 655–716.
1776, May 20–June 14. ib., vi: 845–866.
1776, Sept. 23–26. ib., ser. 5, ii: 542–546.

COMMITTEE (OR COUNCIL) OF SAFETY.

Minutes.

The minutes of the committee (or council) of safety were not contemporaneously printed. They have been printed in the American Archives, in the Pennsylvania Archives and in the Colonial Records of Pennsylvania as follows:

1775, July 3–31. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 1769–1778.
1775, Aug. 1–Sept. 2. ib., iii: 495–523.
1775, Sept. 1–30. ib., iii: 858–872.
1775, Oct. 2–Nov. 24. ib., iii: 1811–1844.
1775, Dec. 1–Jan. 27, 1776. ib., iv: 493–526.
1776, Jan. 29–Feb. 29. ib. iv: 1561–1578.
1776, Mar. 1–May 1. ib., v: 717–746.
1776, May 2–7. ib., v: 1224–1227.
1776, May 9–31. ib., vi: 651–670.
1776, June 1–July 4. ib., vi: 1277–1300.
1776, July 5–22. ib., ser. 5, i: 1287–1298.
1776, July 24–Aug. 31. ib., i: 1298–1330.
1776, Sept. 2–Oct. 31. ib., ii: 61–98.
1776, Nov. 1–30. ib., iii: 181–202.

1775, July–1776, July. Penn. Archives, ser. 4, iii: 543–610.
1776, Aug.–1777, Jan. ib., ser. 4, iii: 610–624.

1775, June 30–1776 Nov. 12. Colon. Records, x: 279–784.
1776, Nov. 13–1777 Mar. 17. ib., xi: 1–170.
1777, Oct. 17–Dec. 6. ib., xi: 325–353.

Proceedings of the provincial conference of committees of the Province of Pensylvania. [June 18–23, 1776.] Philadelphia, Bradford, n. d. 31 pp. 8°.

1825. Proc. relative to calling conventions of 1776 and 1790, pp. 35–45.
1846. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, vi : 951–966.

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Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1682, Oct.–1684, Aug. William Penn, proprietor and governor.
1684, Aug.–1688, Dec. Thomas Lloyd, president.
1688, Dec.–1690, Feb. John Blackwell, depy. governor.
1690, Feb.–1693, Apr. 26. President and council.
1693, Apr. 26–June 3. Benjamin Fletcher, governor.
1693, June 3–1699, Dec. William Markham, depy. governor.
1699, Dec. 3–1701, Nov. 1. William Penn, governor.
1701, Nov. 1–1703, Feb. Andrew Hamilton.
1703, Feb.–1704, Feb. President and council.
1704, Feb.–1709 Feb. John Evans, depy. governor.
1709–1717. Charles Gookin, depy. governor.
1717–1726, June. Sir William Keith.
1726, June–1736. Patrick Gordon, depy. governor.
1736–1738. James Logan, president.
1738–1747. George Thomas.
1747–1748. Anthony Palmer, president.
1748–1754. James Hamilton, depy. governor.
1754, Oct.–1756, Aug. 19. Robert Hunter Morris, depy. governor.
1756, Aug. 19–1759, Oct. William Denny, depy. governor.
1759, Oct.–1763, Nov. James Hamilton, lieut.-gov.
1763, Nov.–1771, Apr. John Penn, lieut.-gov.
1771, Apr.–Oct. The Council, James Hamilton, pres.
1771, Oct.–1773, Aug. Richard Penn, lieut. gov.
1773, Aug.–1776, July. John Penn, lieut. gov.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1681. Proprietary commission to William Markham, governor of Pennsylvania.
1762. Charter and Acts of Penn., 470.

1686. Proprietary instructions to the five commissioners of the executive part of the government.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., 1: 305–309.

1689, Sept. 25. Proprietary instructions for Lieut. Governor Blackwell.
1797. Proud. Hist. of Penn., 1: 339.
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adjd. 1785, Jan. } Wilmington, James Adams, 1785. 1 l., 3–27 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1785, May. Wilmington, J. Killen and co., 1785. 1 l., 3–20 pp. F°.
adjd. 1785, Sept. Not found.

reg. 1785, Oct.
adjd. 1786, Jan. } Wilmington, J. A. Killen and co., 1786. 1 l., 3–19 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1786, May. Wilmington, J. A. Killen and co., 1786. 1 l., 3–12 pp. F°.

reg. 1786, Oct.
adjd. 1787, Jan. } Wilmington, James Adams, 1787. 1 l., 3–33 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1787, May. Wilmington, James Adams, 1787. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1787, Aug. No acts passed.

reg. 1787, Oct. Wilmington, James Adams, 1787. 1 l., 3–9 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1788, Jan. Wilmington, F. Craig and co., 1788. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1788, May. Wilmington, James Adams and Sons, 1788. 1 l., 3–22 pp. F°.

reg. 1788, Oct. Wilmington F. Craig and co., n. d. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
adjd. 1789, Jan. Wilmington, James Adams and Sons, 1789. 1 l., 3–32 pp. F°.
called 1789, May. Wilmington, F. Craig and co., n. d. 1 l., 3–14 pp. F°.

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Minutes.

1776–1792. Minutes of the council of the Delaware state. The Historical Society of Delaware, Wilmington, 1887. xi, 1278 pp. 8°.

Papers Hist. Socy. of Delaware, vi.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Votes and proceedings.

1776–1781. Not found.[a]

1. 1782, Oct. Wilmington, James Adams, 1783. 1 l., 3–17 (1) pp. F°.
2. 1783, Jan. n. t. p. pp. 19–75 (1). F°.
3. 1783, June. n. t. p. pp. 77–119 (1). F°.

1783, Oct.
1784, Jan.
1784, Mar.
1784, May. } Not found.

1. 1784, Oct. Wilmington, J. A. Killen, n. d. 1 l., 3–15 (1) pp. F°.
2. 1785, Jan. n. t. p. pp. 17–61 (1). F°.
3. 1785, May. Wilmington, J. A. Killen, 1785. 1 l., 3–25 (1) pp. F°.
4. 1785, Sept. Not found.

1. 1785, Oct. Wilmington, J. A. Killen, 1786. } 1 l., 3–19 pp. F°.
2. 1786, Jan. } pp. 20–50. F°.
3. 1786, May. Wilmington, J. A. Killen, 1786. 1 l., 3–36 pp. F°.

[a] During the session of the House of Assembly of June 21, 1783, it was ordered "that 180 copies of all minutes of this House since the Revolution which have not been printed" [be printed].

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1. 1786, Oct. Wilmington, J. A. Killen, 1786. 1 l., 3–11 (1) pp. F°.
2. 1787. Jan. Wilmington, F. Craig and co., 1787. 1 l., 3–61 (1) pp. F°.
3. 1787. May. Wilmington, F. Craig and co., 1787. 1 l., (1) 4–12 pp. F°.
4. 1787, Aug. } Wilmington, F. Craig and co., 1787, 2 ll., 2–29 pp. F°.
1. 1787, Oct. }
2. 1788, Jan. Wilmington, Jas. Adams and Sons, 1788. 1 l., 3–43 (1) pp. F°.
3. 1788, May. Wilmington, F. Craig & co., 1788. 1 l., 3–37 (1) pp. F°.

1. 1788, Oct. Wilmington, James Adams & Sons, 1788. 1 l., 3–16 pp. F°.
2. 1789, Jan. Wilmington, F. Craig and co., 1789. 1 l., 3–57 (1) pp. F°.
3. 1789, May. Wilmington, James Adams & Sons, 1789. 1 l., 3–17 pp. F°.

Executive.

PRESIDENT.

REGISTER.

1777, Feb. John McKinly.
1778, Mar. 31. Caesar Rodney.
1781, Nov. 13. John Dickinson.
1783, Jan. John Cook, vice-president, actg. pres.
1783, Feb. 1. Nicholas Van Dyke.
1786, Oct. 27. Thomas Collins.
1789, (?) Joshua Clayton to 1793.

PRIVY COUNCIL.

Minutes.

Not printed; no record of deposit found.

1. MARYLAND.[a]

1632–1789.

ARRANGEMENTS.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Archives of the Proprietary Rule, 1632–1776.
- Patent.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (compiled laws; session laws) 1637–1774.
  - General assembly journal, 1634–1650.
  - Upper house journal, 1651–1706.
  - Lower house votes, 1651–1774.
  - Provincial convention proceedings, 1774–1776.
  - Council of Safety journal, 1775–1776.
  - Council of Safety for Eastern Shore, 1775.
  - Committees of Observation, 1774–1776.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register, 1633–1776.
    - Commissions and instructions.
    - Executive correspondence.
  - Governor's council proceedings, 1632–1731.
  - Committee of accounts journal.
- Judicial.
  - Provincial court.

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[a] The Commission are under obligation to Dr. Bernard C. Steiner, librarian, and Mr. Louis H. Dielman, assistant librarian of The Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, for examining this portion of the bibliography.

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Archives of the State government, 1776 to 1789.
Constitution.
Legislative.
Statutes (session laws), 1777–1789.
Senate journal, 1777–1789.
House of delegates journal, 1777–1789.
Executive.
Governors.
Register, 1777–1789.
Governor's council journal, 1777–1789.
Judicial.
General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

By virtue of act approved March 30, 1882, the Maryland Historical Society became the custodian of the State archives of Maryland. The text in full of this act is printed in volume one of Maryland Archives (1883). In the same place is printed the text of the report of the committee of the society accepting the custody.

In this report the committee briefly reviews previous attempts at arrangement, etc., of the records, and comments on the condition and scope of the extant records, and on the means taken to secure the publication of the archives.

The act of 1882 provided for an appropriation of $2,000 to the Maryland Historical Society for arranging, editing, and publishing the documents placed in its custody. All publications made under this act belong to the State, but may be sold at cost price by the society, the proceeds being added to the publication fund established by the act. Appropriations to the Maryland Historical Society have been made annually thereafter as follows:

1883, chapter 138, 1882	$2,000.00
1884, chapter 429, 1884	1,000.00
1885, chapter 429, 1884; 295, 1886	2,000,00
1886, chapter 295, 1886	2,000.00
1887, chapter 295, 1886	2,000.00
1888, chapter 295, 1886; 290, 1888	2,000.00
1889, chapter 290, 1888	2,000.00
1890, chapter 290, 1888; 415, 1890	2,000.00
1891, chapter 415, 1890	2,000.00
1892, chapter 415, 1890; 254, 1892	2,000.00
1893, chapter 254, 1892	2,000.00
1894, chapter 254, 1892	1,000.00
1895, chapter 654, 1894	3,000.00
1896, chapter 425, 1894; 283, 1896	2,000.00
1897, chapter 283, 1896	2,000.00
1898, chapter 283, 1896; 46, 1898	2,000.00
1899, chapter 46, 1898	2,000.00
1900, chapter 46, 1898	1,000.00
1901, chapter 497, 1900	3,000.00
1902, chapter 497, 1900; 2, 1902	2,000.00
1903, chapter 2, 1902	2,000.00
1904, chapter 2, 1902; 41, 1904	2,000.00
1905, chapter 2, 1902; 41, 1904	2,000.00
1906, chapter 256, 1906	2,000.00
1907, chapter 256, 1906	2,000.00
Total	49,000.00

Chapter 256 of 1906, appropriates $2,000 for 1906 and $2,000 for 1907.

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——. Same. Annapolis, J. Hughes, 1836. 8 pp. 8°.

Report of the joint committee on the state library on the expediency of purchasing from the executors of Horace Ridout certain papers relative to the early history of Maryland. (Jol. House of Delegates, Dec., 1837: 523–524.)

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Report on the condition of the Public Records. By Ethan Allen. Annapolis, Thomas J. Wilson, 1860. 5 pp. 8°.

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v. 1. 1883. lviii, 1 l., 563 pp.

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Correspondence of Governor Horatio Sharpe. Vol. 1. 1753–1757, pp. 1–563.
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v. 13. 1894. 3 ll., 575 pp.
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v. 23. Baltimore, 1903. viii, 574 pp.
Proceedings of the Council of Md., 1696–1698.
v. 24. Baltimore, 1904. xi, 441 pp.
Proceedings and acts of the General Assembly of Md., 1700–1704.
v. 25. Baltimore, 1905. xi, 632 pp.
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Proceedings and acts of the General Assembly of Md., Sept., 1704–Apr., 1706.
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Proceedings and acts of the General Assembly of Md., Mar., 1707–Nov., 1710.

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Catalogue of the manuscripts, etc.; and an account of the library of the Md. Historical Society, made in 1854 . . . by Lewis Mayer. Baltimore, 1854. 51 pp.

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PROPRIETARY RULE.

1632–1776.

Interrupted by the revolution, 1689–92, and by royal assumption of government, 1692–1715.

PATENT.

1632, June 20. Patent to Cecil Calvert, Baron of Baltimore, containing a grant of the province of Maryland.

1723. Md. Laws, 1692–1715.
1759. Abridgement and collection of the acts of the Assembly of the Province, pp. 1–10.
1765. Laws . . . at Large. Bacon. Latin and English text.
1792. Hazard. Collections. i: 327–336. Latin text.
1799. Laws of Md. Kilty's rev.
1837. Bozman. Hist. of Md. ii: 9–21.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc. ed. 2. pp. 811–817.
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Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILED LAWS.

1704. Abridgment of the Laws in Force . . . in Her Majesty's Plantations; viz, of Virginia, New England, Jamaica, New York, Barbadoes, Carolina and Maryland. London, 1704. 16°.

1718. Laws of the Province of Maryland, 1692–1718. Ed. E. Jones. Phila., Bradford, 1718. F°.

1723. Acts of assembly, passed in province of Maryland, 1692–1715. London, Baskett, 1723. F°.

1725. Laws of the province of Md. relating to the Church and the Clergy, etc. Trott, Laws of Brit. colonies in America. London, 1725, pp. 163–221.

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1787. Laws of Maryland made since 1763 [1765–1784]. Ed. A. C. Hanson, Annapolis, Green, 1787. 229 pp. F°.

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1799. Digest of Laws of Maryland, 1637–1797. Ed. Thos. Herty. Balt. and Wash., 1799–1804. 2 v. 8°. (First codification.)

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1811. Laws of Maryland with Charter, etc., 1692–1809. Rev. by V. Maxcy. Balt., 1811. 3 v. 8°.

1840. General Public Statutory Law and Public Local Law, 1632–1839. Ed. C. Dorsey. Baltimore, 1840. 3 v. 8°.

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The earliest known session laws, contemporaneously issued, are those of 1704, 1705, 1706. The first regular printed issue is probably that of 1726. From that time the following collation is based on John W. M. Lee's Handlist, etc. All extant laws from the settlement of the Province to 1707 have been printed in the Maryland Archives. A collation of these is given.

1637/38, Jan.–Mar. Not found.

The body of laws passed at this session is not printed in the Md. Archives, nor are the titles of the laws given. One act "for the attainder of William Cleyborne, gent.," is printed in full. (ib., i: 23–24.)

1638/39, Feb.–Mar. Md. Archives, i: 39–84.

The text of 38 acts is printed in full. On page 39 is printed "Memorandum that these bills were engrossed to be read the third time, but were never read nor passed the house. John Lewger." Lewger was secretary.

1640, Oct. 12–24. Md. Archives, i : 95–99.
1641, Aug. 2–12. ib., i : 107–110.
1641/42, Mar. 21–23. ib., i: 122–124,
1642, July 18–Aug. 2. ib., i: 146–164.
1642, Sept. 5–13. ib., i: 182–198.
1644/45, Feb. 11. ib., i: [205].
1646, Dec. 29–Jan. 2, 1646/47. ib., i: 210.
1647/48, Jan. 7–Mar. 4. ib., i : 232–233.
1649, Apr. 2–21. ib., i: 244–255.
1650, Apr. 6–29. ib., i: 285–308.
1650/51, Mar. 11. ib., i: 311–313.
1654, Oct. 20. ib., i: 339–356.
1657, Sept. 24. ib., i: 359–365.
1658, Apr. 27. ib., i: 369–377.
1659/60, Feb. 28.–Mar. 14. Not found.
1661, Apr. 17–May 2. Md Archives, i : 406–422.
1662, Apr. 1–12. ib., i: 441–456.
1663, Sept. 15–Oct. 3. ib., i: 485–506.
1664, Sept. 13–21. ib., i: 533–541.
1666, Apr. 10–May 3. ib., ii: 130–151.
1669, Apr. 13–May 8. ib., ii: 200–235.
1671, Mar. 27–Apr. 19. ib., ii: 270–308.
1671, Oct. 10–19. ib., ii: 321–341.
1674, May 19–June 6. ib., ii: 386–417.
1674/75, Feb. 12–24. ib., ii: 459–470.
1676, May 15–June 15. ib., ii: 515–564.
1678, Oct. 20–Nov. 14. ib., vii: 51–105.
1681, Aug. 16–Sept. 17. ib., vii., 188–216.
1681, Nov. 1–2. ib., vii 244–256.
1682, Apr. 25–May 13. ib., vii: 321–330.
1682, Oct. 26–Nov. 17. ib., vii: 435–444.
1683, Oct. 2–Nov. 6. ib., vii., 605–619.
1684, Apr. 1–26. ib., xiii: 109–126.
1686, Oct. 26–Nov. 19. ib., xiii: 127–144.
1688, Nov. 14–Dec. 8. ib., xiii: 209–227.
1692, May 10–June 9. ib., xiii: 425–561.
1693, Sept. 20–26. None passed.
1694, Sept. 20–Oct. 18. ib., xix: 100–116.
1694/95, Feb. 28–Mar. 1. ib., xix: 136–138.
1695, May 8–22. ib., xix: 208–215.
1695, Oct. 3–19. ib., xix: 276–281.
1696, Apr. 30–May 14. ib., xix: 376–378.
1696, July 1–10. ib., xix: 418–430.
1696, Sept. 16–Oct. 2. ib., xix: 498–504.
1697, May 26–June 11. ib., xix : 589–596.

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1697/98, Mar. 8–1698, Apr. 4. ib., xxii: 147–151.
1698, Oct. 20–Nov. 12. ib., xxii: 278–282.
1699, June 29–July 22. ib., xxii: 562–582.
1700, Apr. 26–May 9. ib., xxiv: 91–108.
1701, May 8–17. ib., xxiv: 201–204.
1701/02, Mar. 16–Mar. 25, 1702. ib., xxiv: 265–281.
1702, June 25–26. None passed.
1703, Oct. 26–29. ib., xxvi: 321–323.
1704, Apr. 26–May 3. ib., xxiv: 409–423.
1704, Sept. 5–Oct. 3. } Annapolis, Reading, 1704. pp. 1–79. F°.
1704, Dec. 5–9. }
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1705, May 15–25. Annapolis Reading, 1705. pp. 1–12. F°.
Md. Archives, xxvi: 507–518.
1706, Apr. 2–19. Annapolis, Reading, 1706. pp. 93–114. F°.
Md. Archives, xxvi: 619–645.
1707, Mar. 26–Apr. 15. ib., xxvii: 139–178.
1708, Sept. 27–Oct. 4. None passed.
1708, Nov. 29–Dec. 17. ib., xxvii: 337–374.
1709, Oct. 25–Nov. 19. ib., xxvii: 469–487.
1710, Oct. 24–Nov. 4. ib., xxvii: 559–579.
1711–1724, Not found.
1725/26, Mar. 15–23. n. t. p. 20 pp. sm. F°.
1726, July 12–25. 1726. 8 pp. sm. F°.
1727, Oct. 10–30. 1727. 32 pp. sm. F°.
1728, Oct. 3–Nov. 2. 1728. (1), 30 pp. sm. F°.
1729, July 10–Aug. 8. 1729. (1), 37 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1730, May 21–June 16. 1730. (1), 45 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1731, July 13–29. 1731. (1), 6 pp. sm. F°.
1731, Aug. 19–Sept. 6. 1731. 27 pp. sm. F°.
1732, July 11–Aug. 8. 1732. 44 pp. sm. F°.
1732/33, Mar. 13–Apr. 12. 1733. (1), 43 pp. sm. F°.
1733/34, Mar. 20–Apr. 24. 1734. (1), 27 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1736, Apr. 20–May 6. 1736. 26 pp. sm. F°.
1737, Apr. 26–May 28. n. t. p. (1), 15 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1737, Aug. 11–16. 1737. (1), 8 pp. sm. F°.
1740, Apr. 23–June 5. 1740. 4 pp. (?) sm. F°.
1740, July 7–29. 1740. (1), 24 pp. sm. F°.
1741, May 26–June 22. 1741. (1), 14 pp. sm. F°.
1742, Sept. 21–Oct. 29. 1742. (1), 56 pp. sm. F°.
1744, May 1–June 4. [1744.] 43 pp. sm. F°.
1745, Aug. 5–Sept. 28. 1745. (1), 18 pp. sm. F°.
1745/46, Mar. 12–29. No acts passed.
1746, June 17–July 8. 1746. 22 pp. sm. F°.
1746, Nov. 6–12. n. t. p. 4 pp. sm. F°.
1747, May 16–July 11. 1747. (1), 57, (1) pp. sm. F°.
1747, Dec. 22–23. No acts passed.
1748, May 10–June 11. 1748. 32 pp. sm. F°.
1749, May 9–11. No acts passed.
1749, May 24–June 24. 1749. (1), 20 pp. sm. F°.
1750, May 8–June 2. 1750. 34 pp. sm. F°.
1751, May 15–June 8. 1751. (1), 28 pp. sm. F°.
1751, Dec. 7–14. 1751. 6 pp. sm. F°.
1752, June 3–23. 1752. 19 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1753, Oct. 2–Nov. 17. 1754. (1), 84 pp. sm. F°.
1754, Feb. 26–Mar. 9. 1754. 11 pp. sm. F°.

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1754, July 17–25. 1754. 13 (1) pp. sm. F°.
1754, Dec. 12–24. [1754.] 2 pp. sm. F°.
1755, Feb. 22–Mar. 26. 1755. 8 pp. sm. F°.
1755, June 23–July 8. 1755. 12 pp. sm. F°.
1756, Feb. 23–May 22. 1756. 33, (1) pp. sm. F°.
1756, Sept. 14–Oct. 9. 1756. Imperfect copy collated in Lee.
1757, Apr. 8–May 9. 1757. (1), 13 pp. sm. F°.
1757, Sept. 28–Dec. 16. 1758. (1), 10 pp. sm. F°.
1758, Feb. 13–Mar. 9. Not in Lee.
1758, Mar. 28–May 13. 1758. 8 pp. sm. F°.
1758, Oct. 23–Nov. 4. Not in Lee.
1758, Nov. 22–Dec. 24. 1758. 8 pp. sm. F°.
1759, Apr. 4–17. No acts passed.
1760, Mar. 22–Apr. 11. 1760. 6 pp. sm. F°.
1760, Sept. 26–Oct. 15. 1760. 8 pp. sm. F°.
1761, Apr. 13–May 6. No acts passed.
1762, Mar. 17–Apr. 24. 1762. (1), 16 pp. sm. F°.
1763, Oct. 4–Nov. 26. [1763.] [73] pp. sm. F°.
1765, Sept. 23–28. n. d. 22 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1765, Nov. 1–Dec. 20. [1765.] (1), 42 pp. sm. F°.
1766, May 9–27. 1766. 8 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1766, Nov. 1–Dec. 6. n. d. 22 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1768, May 24–June 22. n. d. 26 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1769, Nov. 17–Dec. 20. n. d. 19 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1770, Sept. 25–Nov. 2. n. d. 16 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1770, Nov. 6–21. No acts passed.
1771, Oct. 2–Nov. 30. n. d. 23 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1773, June 15–July 3. n. d. 12 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1773, Nov. 16–Dec. 23. n. d. 48 ll. sm. F°.[a]
1774, Mar. 23–Apr. 19. n. d. 21 ll. sm. F°.[a]
Last meeting of Assembly under proprietary government.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Journal.

1634/5. Not known to be extant.

"On the 26th of February, 1635, eleven months after they had taken formal possession of their new territory, the Colonists were called together in General Assembly. Of their proceedings at this session, the first, in fact, held in Maryland, not a line of regular record remains; and had it not been for a casual reference to one of its acts, contained in a bill passed by a subsequent Assembly, we should never have known that such a session had been held.

From the bill referred to, we learn, that, "by an Act of general Assemblie held at St. Maries, on the six and twentieth day of February, 1634, (Old Style), among other wholesome lawes, and ordinances then made and provided for the welfare of the Province, it was enacted, that the offenders in all murthers, and felonies should suffer such paines, losses, and forfeitures, as they should or ought to have suffered in the like crimes in England." This is all the account we are now able to give of the proceedings of that which was actually the first Assembly held in Maryland.

The acts passed at this Assembly were duly transmitted to his Lordship in England, for his consideration and approval, and must have been received by him about the middle of April; but, though in the highest degree unacceptable to him, either in their origin or matter, he appears to have allowed two years to pass by before positively expressing his disapprobation and disassent or veto, and making an effort to supply, in such manner and form as he deemed most proper, a code of laws for the government of his Colony and to supply their

[a] Taken from N. Y. P. L. collation; all others from Lee.

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place. During the intervening time, it is probable that the colonists were governed by the code which they had themselves formed, and which they would naturally take for their guidance until the disassent of the Proprietary was distinctly and formally expressed.

By the 15th of April, 1637, Lord Baltimore had completed his arrangements for reorganizing the government of the Province, and prepared a commission, in which the powers of his brother as Governor and Lieutenant General, were detailed and defined, and John Lewger, an old friend and classmate, was appointed Secretary. This commission contained a clause, authorizing the Governor to assemble the freemen or their deputies at St. Mary's, upon the five and twentieth day of January next ensuing, and then and there to signify to them his disassent to all the laws by them heretofore, or at any time made within the province, and to declare them void; and further, to shew them the draught of said laws or ordinances for the good government of the Province, as he should, before that time, transmit to his Lieutenant; with his assent to their enactment, and authority to publish them under the great seal, in case the freemen or their deputies in Assembly, should approve of the code proposed." (Streeter. Early Hist. Md. Md. Hist. Socy. Fund Pub. ix.)

1637/38, Jan. 25–Mar. 24. Md. Archives, i: 1–24. Also in Streeter's Papers relating to the early history of Md., 16–57.
1638/39, Feb. 25–Mar. 19. Md. Archives, 1: 25.
1640, Oct. 12–24. ib., 85.
1641, Aug. 2–12. ib., 101.
1642/43, Mar. 21–23. ib., 111.
1642, July 18–Aug. 2. ib., 125.
1642, Sept. 5–13. ib., 165.
1644/45, Feb. 11. ib., 202.
1646–1647, Dec. 29–Jan. 2. ib., 207.
1647/48, Jan. 7–Mar. 4. ib., 211.
1649, Apr. 2–21. ib., 235.
1650, Apr. 6–29. ib., 257.

By ch. 1, acts of 1650, the General Assembly was divided into two Houses, viz, the Upper House and the Lower House. The Upper House consisted of persons summoned by special writ, the Lower House of delegates of the freemen in the several counties.

UPPER HOUSE.

Journal of proceedings.
1651, Mar. 11. Not found.
1654, Oct. 20. Not found.
1657, Sept. 24. Not found.
1658, Apr. 27. Not found.
1659, Feb. 28–Mar. 14. Md. Archives, i: 379.
1661, Apr. 17–May 2. ib., 393.
1662, Apr. 1–12. ib., 423.
1663, Sept. 15–Oct. 3. ib., 456.
1664, Sept. 13–21. ib., 507.
1666, Apr. 10–May 3. ib., ii: 1.
1669, Apr. 13–May 8. ib., 153.
1671, Mar. 27–Apr. 19. ib., 237.
1671, Oct. 10–19. ib., 309.
1674, May 19–June 6. ib., 343.
1675, Feb. 12–24. ib., 419.
1676, May 15–June 15. ib., 471.
1678, Oct. 20–Nov. 14. Not found.
1681, Aug. 16–Sept. 17. Md. Archives, vii: 107.
1681, Nov. 1–12. ib., 216.
1682, Apr. 25–May 13. ib., 256.
1682, Oct. 26–Nov. 17. ib., 331.

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1683, Oct. 2–Nov. 6. ib., 445.
1684, Apr. 1–26. ib., xiii: 1.
1686, Oct. 26–Nov. 19. Proceedings lost.
1688, Nov. 14–Dec. 8. Md. Archives, xiii: 145–227.
1692, May 10–June 9. ib., 249–561.
1693, Sept. 20–28.[a] Not found.
1694, Sept. 20–Oct. 18. Md. Archives, xix: 23–116.
1695, Feb. 28–Mar. 1. ib., 117–124.
1695, May 8–22. ib., 138.
1695, Oct. 3–19. ib., 217.
1696, Apr. 30–May 14. ib., 282.
1696, July 1–10. ib., 379.
1696, Sept. 16–Oct. 2. ib., 431.
1697, May 26–June 11. ib., 505.
1698, Mar. 8–Apr. 4. Md. Archives, xxii: 1.
1698, Oct. 20–Nov. 12. ib., 153.
1699, June 29–July 22. Md. Archives, xxii: 283.
1700, Apr. 26–May 6. ib., xxiv: 1.
1701, May 8–17. ib., 124.
1701/2, Mar. 16–25, 1702. ib., 205.
1702, June 25–26. ib., 282.
1703, Oct. 26–29. ib., 311.
1704, Apr. 26–May 3. Md. Archives, xxiv: 324.
1704, Sept. 5–Oct. 3. ib., xxvi: 1–94.
1704, Dec. 5–9. ib., xxvi: 371–385.
1705, May 15–25. ib., xxvi: 439–471.
1706, Apr. 2–19. ib., xxvi: 521–557.
1707, Mar. 26–Apr. 15. ib., xxvii: 1–58.
1708, Sept. 27–Oct. 4. ib., xxvii: 179–193.
1708, Nov. 29–Dec. 17. ib., xxvii: 223–262.
1709, Oct. 25–Nov. 10. ib., xxvii: 377–405.
1710, Oct. 24–Nov. 4. ib., xxvii: 491–513.
1711–1774. Not printed. For dates of sessions see below under Lower House.

LOWER HOUSE.

Votes and proceedings.
1651–1664. Not found.
1666, Apr. 10–May 3. Md. Archives, ii: 60.
1669–1676. Not found.
1678, Oct. 20–Nov. 14. Md. Archives, vii: 1.
1681–1682. Not found.
1682, Oct. 26–Nov. 17. Md. Archives, vii: 403
1683, Oct. 2–Nov. 6. ib., 520.
1684, Apr. 1–26. Md. Archives, xiii: 51.
1686, Oct. 26–Nov. 19. Proceedings lost.
1688, Nov. 14–Dec. 8. Proceedings lost.
1692, May 10–June 9. Md Archives, xiii: 346.
1693, Sept. 20–Sept. 26. ib., xix: 1–21.[b]
1694, Sept. 20–Oct. 18. Not found.[c]

[a] Abstracted in part, viz, Sept. 25–28, in Calendar of State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1693–1695. See index.

[b] See letter of Andros to Lords of Trade, Oct. 23, 1693, relative to this session. Calendar St. Papers, as below, No. 637.

[c] Abstracted in Calendar of State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1693–95. See index.

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1695, Feb. 28–Mar. 1. Md. Archives, xix: 125–138.
1695, May 8–22. ib., 169.
1695, Sept. ?–19. ib., 238.
1696, Apr. 30–May 14. ib., 327.
1696, July 1–10. ib., 401.
1696, Sept 16–Oct. 2. ib., 473.
1697, May 26–June 11. ib., 553.
1698, Mar.–Apr. ib., xxii: 73.
1698, Oct. 20–Nov. 12. ib., 205.
1699, June 29–July 22. ib., 363.
1700, Apr. 26–May 6. ib., xxiv: 33.
1701, May 8–17. ib., 155.
1702, Mar. 16–25. ib., 231.
1702, June 25–26. ib., 293.
1703, Oct. 26–29. Not found.
1704, Apr. 26–May 3. Md. Archives, xxiv: 353.
1704, Sept. 5–Oct. 3. ib., xxvi: 97.
1704, Dec. 5–9. ib., xxvi: 389.
1705, May 17–25. ib., xxvi: 475.
1706, Apr. 2–19. ib., xxvi: 561.
1707, Mar. 26–Apr. 15. ib., xxvii: 59–137.
1708, Sept. 27–Oct. 5. ib., xxvii: 195–221.
1708, Nov. 29–Dec. 17. ib., xxvii: 263–336.
1709, Oct. 26–Nov. 11. ib., xxvii: 409–468.
1710, Oct. 24–Nov. 4. ib., xxvii: 517–557.
1711, Oct. 23–Nov. 3. Not printed.
1712, Oct. 28–Nov. 15. Not printed.
1713, Oct. 27–Nov. 14. Not printed.
1714, June 22–July 3. Not printed.
1714, Oct. 5–9. Not printed.
1715, Apr. 26–June 3. Not printed.
1716, Apr. 23–24. Not printed.
1716, July 17–Aug. 10. Not printed.
1717, May 28–June 8. Not printed.
1718, Apr. 22–May 10. Not printed.
1719, May 14–June 6. Not printed.
1720, Apr. 5–22. Not printed.
1721, July 18–Aug. 5. Not printed.
1722, Feb. 20–28. Not printed.
1722, Oct. 10–Nov. 3. Not printed.
1723, Sept. 23–Oct. 26. Not printed.
1724, Oct. 6–Nov. 4. Not printed.
1725, Oct. 5–Nov. 6. Not printed.
1726, Mar. 15–23. Not printed.
1726, July 12–25. Not printed.
1727, Oct. 10–30. Not printed.
1728, Oct. 3–Nov. 2. Not printed.
1729, July 10–Aug. 8. n. t. p. nos. 1–14. v. p. F°.
1730, May 21–June 16. n. t. p. nos. 1–10. v. p. F°.
1731, July 13–29. Not found.
1731, Aug. 19–Sept. 6. n. t. p. nos. 1–6. pp. 1–24 (imperfect). F°.
1732, July 11–Aug. 8. n. t. p. 57 pp. sm. F°.
1733, Mar. 13–Apr. 12. n. t. p. 36 pp. F°.

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1734, Mar. 19–25. Not found.
1735, Mar. 20–Apr. 24. Not found.
1736, Apr. 20–May 6. Not found.
1737, Apr. 26–May 28. Not found.
1737, Aug. 11–16. Not found.
1739, May 1–June 11. Annapolis, Green, 1739. 197 pp. 8°.
1740, Apr. 23–June 5. 1740. pp. 199–341. sm. F°.
1740, July 7–29. 1740. pp. 343–410. sm. F°.
1741, May 26–June 22. 1741. pp. 411–474 (imperfect). sm. F°.
1742, Sept. 21–Oct. 29. 1742. 88 pp. (imperfect). sm. F°.
1744, May 1–June 4. 1744. 102 pp.
1745, Aug. 5–Sept. 28. 1745. 93 pp. sm. F°.
1745/6, Mar. 12–29. 1746. 23 pp.
1746, June 17–July 8. 1746. 42 pp.
1746, Nov. 6–12. Not found.
1747, May 16–July 11. [Annapolis, Green, 1747.] 65 pp. sm. F°.
1747, Dec. 22–23. [Annapolis, Green, n. d.] 6 pp. 8°.
1748, May 10–June 11. [Annapolis, Green, n. d.] 82 pp. 8°.
1749, May 9–11. [Annapolis, Green, 1749.] 8 pp. 4°.
1749, May 24–June 24. [Annapolis, Green, 1749.] 56 pp.
1750, May 8–June 2. [Annapolis, Green, 1750.] 56 pp. 4°.
1751, May 15–June 8. [Annapolis, Green, 1751.] 52 pp. 4°.
1751, Dec. 7–14. [Annapolis, Green, 1752.] 18 pp. 4°.
1752, June 3–23. [Annapolis, Green, 1752.] 40 pp. 4°.
1753, Oct. 2–Nov. 17. [Annapolis, Green, 1753.] 82 pp. 8°.
1754, Feb. 26–Mar. 9. [Annapolis, Green, 1754.] 21 pp. 8°.
1754, May 8–30. [Annapolis, Green, 1754.] 40 pp. 8°.
1754, July 17–25. [Annapolis, Green, 1754.] 14 pp. 8°.
1754, Dec. 12–24. [Annapolis, Green, 1755.] 22 pp. 8°.
1755, Feb. 22–Mar. 26. [Annapolis, Green, 1755.] 46 pp. 8°.
1755, June 23–July 8. [Annapolis, Green, 1755.] 44 pp. 8°.
1756, Feb. 23–May 22. [Annapolis, Green, 1757.] 97 pp. 8°.
1756, Sept. 14–Oct. 9. [Annapolis, Green, 1757.] 37 pp. 8°.
1757, Apr. 8–May 9. [Annapolis, Green, 1757.] 52 pp. 8°.
1757, Sept. 28–Dec. 16. [Annapolis, Green, 1758.] 106 pp.
1758, Feb. 13–Mar. 9. [Annapolis, Green, 1758.] 24 pp. sm. F°.
1758, Mar. 28–May 13. [Annapolis, Green, 1758.] 104 pp.
1758, Oct. 23–Nov. 4. [Annapolis, Green, 1758.] pp. 1–16. sm. F°.
1758, Nov. 22–Dec. 24. [Annapolis, Green, 1759.] pp. 17–53. sm. F°.
1759, Apr. 4–17. [Annapolis, Green, 1759.] pp. 57–76.
1760, Mar. 22–Apr. 11. [Annapolis, Green, 1760.] pp. 77–103.
1760, Sept. 26–Oct. 15. [Annapolis, Green, 1760.] pp. 105–125.
1761, Apr. 13–May 6. [Annapolis, Green, 1761.] pp. [127–] 163. sm. F°.
1762, Mar. 17–Apr. 24. [Annapolis, Green, 1762.] 55 pp.
1763, Oct. 4–Nov. 26. 1764. pp. [57–] 127. F°.
1765, Sept. 23–28. 1765. pp. 1–12. F°.
1765, Nov. 1.–Dec. 20. 1766. pp. 13–86. F°.
1766, May 9–27. n. d. pp. [87–] 106. F°.
1766, Nov. 1–Dec. 6. Not found.
1768, May 24–June 22. Not found.
1769, Nov. 17–Dec. 20. pp. [207–]253. F°.
1770, Sept. 25–Nov. 2. pp. [255–]338. sm. F°.
1770, Nov. 6–21. Not found.

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1771, Oct. 2–Nov 30. Not found.
1773, June 15–July 3. Not found.
1773, Nov. 16–Dec. 23. Not found.
1774, Mar. 23–Apr. 19. Not found.

The charter of Maryland, Together with the Debates and Proceedings of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, in the year 1722, 1723 and 1724. Relating to the Government and Judicature of the Province. . . . Collected from the Journals, and Published by Order of the Lower-House. Philadelphia, Bradford. 1725. (1), 10, (1), iv, 64 pp. F°.

Proceedings of assembly of the Province of Maryland, containing the speeches of the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, His Honour the Governour, &c. With the addresses and answers thereto. Also several Messages, Debates, and other material proceedings of the three last sessions of Assembly. Collected . . . and published by order . . . Annapolis. Printed by William Parks, printer to the right honourable the Lord Proprietor and the Province. 1727. pp. (1) 33. F°.

Covers years 1725 and 1726, apparently supplementary to the controversy carried on in the preceding item.

PROVINCIAL CONVENTION.

Proceedings.

ORIGINAL ISSUES.

1. 1774, June 22–25.
2. 1774, Nov. 21–25.
3. 1774, Dec. 8–12.
4. 1775, Apr. 24–May 3.
5. 1775, July 26–Aug. 14.

} n. d. 26 pp. sm. 4°.

6. 1775/6, Dec. 7–Jan. 18. n. d. 62 pp. sm. 4°.
7. 1776, May 8–25. n. d. 30 pp. sm. 4°.
8. 1776, June–July. n. d. 34 pp. sm. 4°.
9. 1776, Aug. 14–Nov. 11. n. d. 91 pp. sm. 4°.

REPRINTS.

1774–1776. Proceedings of the conventions of the province of Maryland, held at the city of Annapolis, in 1774, 1775, and 1776. Baltimore, 1836. (2), 3–378 pp. 8°.

1775, July 26–Aug. 14. Journal of the Maryland convention.
Archives of Md., xi: 1–67.

These proceedings are also printed in the Amer. Archives, a collation reading as follows:

1774, Nov. 21. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 991.
1775, Apr. 24–May 1. ib., ii: 379–382.
1775, July 26–Aug. 14. ib., iii: 99–119.
1775, Dec. 7–Jan. 18, 1776. ib., iv: 711–762.
1776, May 8–25. ib., v: 1579–1602.
1776, Aug. 14–Nov. 11. ib., ser. 5, iii: 83–182.

COUNCIL OF SAFETY.

Exercised power in the intervals between conventions, and served from the close of the convention at which they were elected to the close of the one next succeeding.

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Journal and correspondence.
1775, Aug. 14.
1776, Jan. 18. } Archives of Md., xi: 69–557.
1776, May 25.
1776, July 5–Dec. 31. ib., xii.
1777, Jan. 1–Mar. 20. ib., xvi: 1–184.

Reprinted in Amer. Archives as follows:
1775, Oct. 20–21, ser. 4, iii: 1116–1118.
1776, Jan. 18–May 25, ib., v: 1523–1578.
1776, May 27–July 6, ib., vi: 1465–1510.
1776, July 6–Aug. 31, ib., ser. 5, i: 1331–1364.
1776, Sept. 2–Nov. 11, ib., ii: 625–660.

COUNCIL OF SAFETY FOR THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

1775, Nov. 17–Dec. 2. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iii: 1571–1586.

BALTIMORE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF OBSERVATION.

1774, Nov. 30–Mar. 8, 1776. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iv: 1691–1744.
1776, Mar. 6–May 6. ib., v: 1507–1524.
1776, May 7–July 1. ib., vi: 1457–1464.
1776, July 29. ib., ser. 5, i: 635–636.
1776, July 30. ib., 668.
1776, Aug. 19. ib., 1056–1057.
1775, Nov. 13–20. ib., iii: 1541.

UPPER DISTRICT OF FREDERICK COUNTY [WASHINGTON COUNTY] COMMITTEE OF OBSERVATION.

Extracts from Minutes in Scharf's Western Md., vol. I.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

UNDER FIRST PROPRIETARY.

Cæcilius Calvert, second Lord Baltimore.
1632–1675.

1633. Leonard Calvert, gov.
1645–46. Revolution. Richard Ingle and later Edward Hill in control of Province.
1647. Thomas Greene, gov.
1649. William Stone, gov.
1652. Richard Bennett. } Parliamentary Commissioners, Mar. 29–June 28.
Edmund Curtis.
William Claiborne.
1652. William Stone, gov.
1654. William Fuller, and others, comrs.
1658. Josias Fendall, gov.
1660. Philip Calvert, gov.
1661. Charles Calvert, gov.

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UNDER SECOND PROPRIETARY.

Charles Calvert, third Lord Baltimore.
1675–1689.

1675. The Lord Proprietary in person.
1676. Cæcilius Calvert, titular governor, Jesse Wharton, deputy governor, June–July, Thomas Notley, deputy governor, July–Oct.
1676. Thomas Notley.
1679. Charles Calvert, Lord Proprietary, governed in person.
1684. Benedict Calvert, titular governor, board of deputy governors.
1688. William Joseph, president of the council.

REVOLUTIONARY GOVERNMENT.

1689. Committee and Convention of the Protestant Freemen (Revolutionary).
1689. John Coode, commander-in-chief (Revolutionary).
1690. Provincial Convention.
1690. John Coode, chairman, and Committee of Freemen.
1690. Nehemiah Blakistone, chairman, and Committee of Freemen.

UNDER ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

1692. Sir Lionel Copley, royal governor.
1693. Sir Edmund Andros, royal governor.
1694. Francis Nicholson, royal governor.
1699. Nathaniel Blaikston, royal governor.
1702. Thomas Tench, president of the council.
1703. John Seymour, royal governor.
1709. Edward Lloyd, president of the council.
1714. John Hart, royal governor.

UNDER THIRD PROPRIETARY.

Benedict Leonard Calvert, Fourth Lord Baltimore.
1715.

1715. John Hart, proprietary governor.

UNDER FOURTH PROPRIETARY.

Charles Calvert, Fifth Lord Baltimore.
1715–1751.

1715. John Hart, proprietary governor.
1720. Charles Calvert, proprietary governor.
1727. Benedict Calvert, proprietary governor.
1731. Samuel Ogle, governor.
1732. Charles Calvert, Lord Proprietary, in person.
1733. Samuel Ogle, governor.
1742. Thomas Bladen, governor.
1746. Samuel Ogle, governor.

UNDER FIFTH PROPRIETARY.

Frederick Calvert, Sixth Lord Baltimore.
1751–1771.

1752. Benjamin Tasker, president of council.
1753. Horatio Sharpe, governor.
1768. Capt. Robert Eden, governor.

UNDER SIXTH PROPRIETARY.

Henry Harford.
1771–1776.

1771. Capt. Robert Eden, governor.

During Gov. Eden's absence in England, May 28–Nov. 8, 1774, Richard Lee, president of the council, acted as governor. Eden left Annapolis June 26, 1776, and Lee was titular governor until the province formally declared independence, July 3, 1776.

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COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS, ETC.

UNDER FIRST PROPRIETARY.

1632–1675.

1637. Proprietary commission for Leonard Calvert.
1837. Bozman. Hist. Md., ii: 572.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 49.

1642. Proprietary commission for Leonard Calvert.
1837. Bozman, etc., ii: 621.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 108.

1644. Proprietary commission for Leonard Calvert.
1837. Bozman, etc., ii: 631.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 151.

1648. Proprietary commission for William Stone.
1837. Bozman, etc., ii: 642.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 201.

1656. Proprietary commission for Josias Fendall.
1837. Bozman, etc., ii: 689.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 323.

1660. Proprietary commission for Philip Calvert.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 391.

1661. Proprietary commission for Charles Calvert.
1885. Md. Archives, iii: 439.

1666. Id.
ib., 542.

UNDER ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

1691–1715.

1690. n. d. Proprietary commission for Sir Lionel Copley; draft.
1890. Md. Archives, viii: 200.

1691, June 27. Royal commission; text.
1890. ib., 263.

——, Aug. 26. Royal instructions.
1890. ib., 271.

1692, Mar. 3. Royal commission for Sir Edmund Andros. 4 William and Mary.
1900. Md. Archives, xx: 7.

1693, Mar. 5. Royal commission as governor for Francis Nicholson. 5 William and Mary.
1900. Md. Archives, xx: 83.

——, Mar. 8. Royal instructions.
1903. Md. Archives, xxiii: 540.

1699. n. d. Royal instructions for Nathaniel Blakiston. 11 William iii.
1902. Md. Archives, xxii: 285, 371.

1703, Apr. 20. Royal instructions for John Seymour. 2 Anne.
1904. Md. Archives, xxiv: 329, 330.

1704, Apr. 27. Id.
1904. ib., 367.

UNDER FOURTH PROPRIETARY.

1715–1751.

1718/19, Mar. 23. Proprietary instructions for John Hart.
1905. Md. Archives, xxv: 353.

1729/30, Jan. 30. Proprietary instructions for Benedict Calvert.
1905. Md. Archives, xxv: 519.

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EXECUTIVE CORRESPONDENCE.

THE CALVERTS.

The Calvert papers. 1633–1683. no. 1.

Md. Hist. Socy. Fund Publication, no. 28: 57–331. Pages 57–126 are J. W. M. Lee's calendar of the Calvert Papers.

Same. Selections from correspondence, 1713–1765. no. 2.

Md. Hist. Socy. Fund Publication, no. 34. 263 pp., 1 plate. 2 maps.

Same. Comprising documents relating to the early history of Maryland, and "A Briefe Relation of the Voyage unto Maryland."

Md. Hist. Socy. Publication, no. 35. (2), 58 pp.

SAMUEL OGLE.

A collection of the governor's several speeches and the addresses of each house . . . at a convention May 1, 1739. [Annapolis, 1739.] (1), 37, xxxviii–xii, 38–80 pp. 8°.

HORATIO SHARPE.

Correspondence of Governor Horatio Sharpe. v. 1. 1753–1757. William H. Browne, editor. Md. Archives, vi.

Same. v. 2. 1757–1761. ib., ix.

Same. v. 3. 1761–1771. ib., xiv.

COUNCIL.

In compiling the following chronology Dr. Steiner's list (p. 113, Md. Manual, 1904) has been used as a basis.

Proceedings of the Council of Maryland.

UNDER FIRST PROPRIETARY.

1632–1675.

1633–1635. No record.
1636–1647. iii Md. Archives, pp. 45–183.
1647–1648. ib., 185–198.
1648–1655. ib., 199–272.
1652–1654. ib., 273–308.
1654–1657. ib., 309–320.
1657–1660. ib., 321–388.
1660–1661. ib., 389–436.
1661–1675. ib., 437–562; ib., v: 1–154; and Council Records, 1671–1675, discovered after vol. 5 of the Archives was printed, ib., xv: 1–62.

UNDER SECOND PROPRIETARY.

1675–1715.

1675–1676. Md. Archives, xv: 63–102.
1676–1681. Md. Archives, v: 241–282; additional records, 1676–1681, ib., xv: 103–420.
1681–1685. ib., 283–407; additional records, 1681–1685/6, ib., xvii: 1–491.
1684–1688. ib., 409–570; additional records, 1681–1685/6, ib., xvii: 1–491.
1688–1689. Md. Archives, viii: 1.

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CODDE GOVERNMENT, 1689–1692.

1689–1692. Revolutionary government. See "Records and Other Documents Illustrating the History of Maryland, 1689–16[92]." (Md. Archives, viii: 97–301.)

1692–1693. Md. Archives, viii: 303–566.
1693–1694. Md. Archives, xx: 1–79.
1694–1697. Md. Archives, xx: 81–592; xxiii: 1–553; xxv: 1–47.
1699–1702. Md. Archives, xxv: 49–122.
1702–1703. Md. Archives, xxv: 123–169.
1703–1709. Md. Archives, xxv: 171–251.
1714–1720. Md. Archives, xxv: 275–358.
1721–1727. Md. Archives, xxv: 359–464.
1727–1731. Md. Archives, xxv: 465–550.

COMMITTEE OF ACCOUNTS.

Journal, April 30, 1700. (Md. Archives, xxiv: 109–124.)

Judicial.

PROVINCIAL COURT.

"The Provincial Court at St. Mary's was the chief judicial body in the Province, being not only a court of first instance for all matters civil, criminal and testamentary for the city and county of St. Mary's, but having also appellate jurisdiction over the county courts. It was composed, during the periods covered by this publication, of the Governor as presiding judge, and one or more members of the Council as associate judges. In the absence of the Governor, the councillor next in commission presided." (iv, Md. Archives, Preface.)

Judicial and testamentary business of the Provincial Court.
1637–1650. Archives of Md., iv.
1649–1657. ib., x.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Maryland General Court and Court of Appeals, 1700–1799. New York, v. 1–3, Annapolis, v. 4, 1809–1818. 4 vols. Thomas Harris and John M'Henry.

The first volume contains cases in the Provincial Court and Court of Appeals prior to the Revolution.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

1776 to 1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1776. Constitution of 1776.
1787. Laws of Md. made since 1763.
1799. Laws of Md. Kilty's rev.
1824. Declaration of rights and the constitution of Md. Compared and revised by G. Hebb. Baltimore, W. Wooddy. 55 pp. 24°.
1839. Declaration of rights and the constitution of Md. Frederick, E. Hughes. 31 pp. 8°.
1853. Amer. Archives, 5 ser., iii: 165–174.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc. p. 817–837.

1776. Declaration of rights.
1787. Laws of Md. made since 1763.
1799. Laws of Md. Kilty's rev.
1824. Declaration of rights and the constitution of Md. Compared and revised by G. Hebb. Baltimore, W. Wooddy. 55 pp. 24°.
1839. Declaration of rights and the constitution of Md. Frederick, E. Hughes. 31 pp. 8°.
1853. Amer. Archives, 5 ser., iii: 143–147.

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Legislative.

STATUTES.

SESSION LAWS.

(Collated from a file in the New York Public Library.)

1. 1777, Feb. 5–Apr. 20. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 29 ll. 4°.
2. 1777, June 16–29. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 14 ll. 4°.
3. 1777, Oct. 31–Dec. 3. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 25 ll. 4°.
4. 1778, Mar. 17–Apr. 22. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 25 ll. 4°.
5. 1778, June 8–23. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 6 ll. 4°.
6. 1778, Oct. 26–Dec. 15. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 39 ll. 4°.
7. 1779, Mar. 9–25. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 11 ll. 4°.
8. 1779, July 22–Aug. 15. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 16 ll. 4°.
9. 1779, Nov. 8–Dec. 30. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 40 ll. 4°.
10. 1780, Mar. 23–May 16. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 16 ll. 4°.
11. 1780, June 7–July 5. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 36 ll. 4°.
12. 1780, Oct. 17–Feb 2, 1781. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 52 ll. 4°.
13. 1781, May 10–June 27. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 30 ll. 4°.
14. 1781, Nov. 5–Jan. 22, 1782. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 36 ll. 4°.
15. 1782, Apr. 25–June 15. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 40 ll. 4°.
16. 1782, Nov. 4–Jan. 15, 1783. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 34 ll. 4°.
17. 1783, Apr. 21–June 1. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 24 ll. 4°.
18. 1783, Nov. 3–Dec. 26. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 27 ll. 4°.
19. 1784, Nov. 1–Jan. 22, 1785. [1785.] (1), [142] pp. F°.
20. 1785, Nov. 7–Mar. 12, 1786. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 74 ll. F°.
21. 1786, Nov. 6–Jan. 20, 1787. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 25 ll. F°.
22. 1787, Apr. 10–May 26. Anapolis, Green, n. d. 26 ll. F°
23. 1787, Nov. 5–Dec. 17. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 24 ll. F°.
24. 1788, May 12–27. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 9 ll. F°.
25. 1788, Nov. 3–Dec. 23. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 27 ll. F°.
26. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 26. Annapolis, Green, n. d. 43 ll. F°.

SENATE.

1. 1777, Feb. 5–Apr. 20. n. t. p. 63 pp. F°.
2. 1777, June 16–29. n. t. p. pp. 65–81. F°.
3. 1777, Oct. 31–Dec. 3. n. t. p. 32 pp. F°.
4. 1778, Mar. 17–Apr. 22. n. t. p. pp. 33–48 (imperfect copy). F°.
5. 1778, June 8–23. Not found.
6. 1778, Oct. 26–Dec. 15. n. t. p. 36 pp. F°.
7. 1779, Mar. 9–25. Not found.
8. 1779, July 22–Aug. 15. n. t. p. pp. [55–]77. F°.
9. 1779, Nov. 8–Dec. 30. n. t. p. 46 pp. F°.
10. 1780, Mar. 23–May 16. Not found.
11. 1780, June 7–July 5. Not found.
12. 1780, Oct. 17–Feb. 2, 1781. Not found.
13. 1781, May 10–June 27. n. t. p. pp. [53–]78. F°.
14. 1781, Nov. 5–Jan. 22, 1782. n. t. p. 34 pp. F°.
15. 1782, Apr. 25–June 15. pp. 35–69. F°.
16. 1782, Nov. 4–Jan. 15, 1783. pp. 1–50. F°.
17. 1783, Apr. 21–June 1. n. t. p. pp. [51–]84. F°.
18. 1783, Nov. 3–Dec. 26. n. t. p. 36 pp. F°.
19. 1784, Nov. 1–Jan. 22, 1785. n. t. p. 71 pp. F°.

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20. 1785, Nov. 7–Mar. 12, 1786. n. t. p. 91 pp. F°.
21. 1786, Nov. 6–Jan. 20, 1787. n. t. p. 44 pp. F°.
22. 1787, Apr. 10–May 26. n. t. p. pp. [45–]83. F°.
23. 1787, Nov. 5–Dec. 17. n. t. p. 29 pp. F°.
24. 1788, May 12–27. n. t. p. pp. [31–]46. F°.
25. 1788, Nov. 3–Dec. 23. n. t. p. 42 pp. F°.
26. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 26. n. t. p. 46 pp. F°.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

(Collation taken from Lee.)

1. 1777, Feb. 5–Apr. 20. n. t. p. 108 pp. F°.
2. 1777, June 16–29. n. t. p. Not in Lee.
3. 1777, Oct. 31–Dec. 3. n. t. p. 68 pp. F°.
4. 1778, Mar. 17–Apr. 22. Not in Lee.
5. 1778, June 8–23. Not in Lee.
6. 1778, Oct. 26–Dec. 15. Not in Lee.
7. 1779, Mar. 9–25. Not in Lee.
8. 1779, July 22–Aug. 15. Not in Lee.
9. 1779, Nov. 8–Dec. 30. Not in Lee.
10. 1780, Mar. 23–May 16. n. t. p. pp. [89–] 183. F°.
11. 1780, June 7–July 5. n. t. p. pp. [185–] 231. F°.
12. 1780, Oct. 17–Feb. 2, 1781. n. t. p. 122 pp. F°.
13. 1781, May 10–June 27. n. t. p. pp. [123–] 178. F°.
14. 1781, Nov. 5–Jan. 22, 1782. n. t. p. 88 pp. F°.
15. 1782, Apr. 25–June 15. n. t. p. pp. 89–168. F°.
16. 1782, Nov. 4–Jan. 15, 1783. n. t. p. 95 pp. F°.
17. 1783, Apr. 21–June 1. n. t. p. 56 pp. F°.
18. 1783, Nov. 3–Dec. 26. n. t. p. 92 pp. F°.
19. 1784, Nov. 1–Jan. 22, 1785. n. t. p. 129 pp. F°.
20. 1785. Nov. 7–Mar. 12, 1786. n. t. p. 202 pp. sm. F°.
21. 1786, Nov. 6–Jan. 20, 1787. n. t. p. 107 pp. sm. F°.
22. 1787, Apr. 10–May 26. n. t. p. pp. 109–189. sm. F°.
23. 1787, Nov. 5–Dec 17. n. t. p. 63 pp. sm. F°.
24. 1788, May 12–27. n. t. p. pp. 65–100. sm. F°.
25. 1788, Nov. 3–Dec. 23. n. t. p. 102 pp. F°.
26. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 26. n. t. p. 121 pp. F°.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1777. Thomas Johnson.
1779. Thomas Sim Lee.
1782. William Paca.
1785. William Smallwood.
1788. John Eager Howard to 1791.

COUNCIL.

Journal and correspondence.
1777, Mar. 20–Nov. 8. Archives of Md., xvi: 185–414.
1777/8, Nov. 10–Mar. 28. ib., 415–560.
1778/9, Apr. 1–Oct. 26. ib., xxi: 1–568.

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Judicial.

Maryland General Court and Court of Appeals, 1700–1799. 4 vols. Thomas Harris and John McHenry New York, v. 1–3, Annapolis, v. 4, 1809–1818.

General references.

A History of the General Assembly of Maryland, 1635–1904, by Elihu S. Riley. Baltimore, Nunn & Co., 1905. 423 pp. 8°.

Chronological synopsis of proceedings at each session of the legislature.

The Archives of Maryland as illustrating the spirit of the times of the early colonists. A paper read before the Md. Hist. Socy., January 25, 1886, by Henry Stockbridge. Baltimore, 1886. 2 p. l., 87 pp.

Md. Hist. Socy. Fund Publication, no. 22.

Hand list of laws, journals and documents of Maryland to the year 1800. By J. W. M. Lee. Baltimore, 1878. 15 pp. sm. 4°.

Checklist of sessions of Md. General Assembly, 1638–1774, showing location of manuscript journals.

Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann rept., 1897: 428–432, being, in part, 2d ann. rept. Amer. Hist. MS. Commission, J. F. Jameson, then chrm.

List of the several public offices, ecclesiastical preferments, and other places of profit, in the province of Md., with their revenues; [and] in whose distribution, as a proprietary government.

Mass. Hist. Socy. Coll., ser. iv, 7: 202–203.

List of those who governed Md., by Bernard C. Steiner.

Penn. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., xxii: 98–101, reprinted with additions in Md. Manual 1903 and following years and in Sun Almanac for 1904.

m. VIRGINIA.[a]

1606–1798.

ARRANGEMENT.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Archives of Virginia as a proprietary province, 1606–1624.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - General assembly.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.
  - H. M. Council for Virginia.

Archives of Virginia under Royal Government, 1624–1776.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - General assembly proceedings.
  - Council proceedings.
  - House of Burgesses journals.
  - Provincial Convention.
  - Committee of Correspondence.
  - Committee of Safety.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.
    - Executive correspondence.
  - Judicial.

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State of Virginia, 1776 to 1789.
- Constitution.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - Senate journals.
  - House of delegates journals.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Executive correspondence.

General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

Some twenty-five or thirty years before the inauguration of the Calendar of State Papers there are to be found in the messages of the executive references as to the expediency of printing the archives of Virginia. At first these were general recommendations, but were followed later by proposals for appropriations. Governor Gilmer in his message of December 1, 1840, and his immediate successor, Governor Rutherford, both recommended the necessity of adopting some measures for the preservation of the public archives. Governor Gilmer specifically urges the printing of a "number of journals of the general assembly, and some of them during the most interesting epochs of our history which have never been printed."

Governor Henry A. Wise in his message of December 7, 1857, was the first to recommend definitely an appropriation for the purpose of "collecting, arranging and preserving archives."

It was not, however, until the passage of the act of February 7, 1872, that effective operations were begun looking to the systematic disposition of the State papers. This work was begun under the care of William P. Palmer. A report of progress was made by Doctor Palmer in November, 1872. This was printed as document 2 in the House of Delegates Journal of 1872–73.

In Virginia the printed repository of colonial archives is the Calendar of State Papers, collated on page 470. Although called a calendar the text of the documents is printed. In the preface to the first volume of this series may be found a full account of the conditions which led to the printing of these papers. A further account is given in the Calendar of Transcripts published by the State Library in 1905.

It has not been possible to ascertain the cost of printing the Calendar of State Papers from any printed returns made by the State. Apparently the amount is included in the general item of public printing returned by the auditor of public accounts. From time to time contingent expenses for the care, collection, etc., of the colonial archives are itemized in the auditor's reports. These are as follows:

1876.	For preservation of historical papers	$835.04
1877.	For preservation of historical papers	375.00
1878.	For preservation of historical papers	729.00
1879.	For preservation of historical papers	166.00
1892.	For copying of colonial records	175.00
1893.	For copying of colonial records	1,786.07
1894.	For copying of colonial records	2,496.13
1895.	For copying of colonial records	333.11
1896.	For copying of colonial records	164.84
1897.	For copying of colonial records	44.65
1898.	For copying of colonial records	45.99

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COLLECTIONS.

Calendar of Virginia State Papers and other manuscripts. . . . Preserved in the Capitol at Richmond. Richmond, 1875–1893. 4°.

vol. 1. 1652–1781. Arranged and edited by Wm. P. Palmer. 1875. lxxi, 613, 14 pp.

vol. 2. 1781, Apr.–Dec. 31. Arranged and edited by Wm. P. Palmer. Prepared for publication by Sherwin McRae. 1881. iv, 729 pp.

vol. 3. 1782–1784. Arranged, etc., as above. 1883. (4), 680 pp.

vol. 4. 1785–1789. Ib. 1884. (2), 721 pp.

vol. 5. 1790–1792. Arranged and edited by Wm. P. Palmer and Sherwin McRae. 1885. vii, 709 pp.

vol. 6. 1792–1793. Arranged and edited by Sherwin McRae. 1886. (4), 782 pp.

vol. 7. 1794–1795. Arranged and edited by Sherwin McRae and Raleigh Colston under the authority and direction of H. W. Flournoy, secy. of the commonwealth. 1888. (2), 594 (1) pp.

vol. 8. 1795–1798. Embracing the letters and proceedings of the Committee of Correspondence and Inquiry of Virginia and the other colonies from 1773 to 1775; also the journal of the Committee of Safety of Virginia from Feb. to July, 1776. Arranged . . . under the direction of H. W. Flournoy. 1890. (2), 588 pp.

vol. 9. 1799–1807. 1890. (2), 679 pp.

vol. 10. 1808–1835. 1892. (2), 687 pp.

vol. 11. 1836–1869. 1893. (2), 601 pp.

A Calendar of Transcripts in the Virginia State Library, 1573–1772. Richmond, 1905. 658, 44 pp. 4°.

In Rept. of Dept. of Archives and History of the Va. State Library, 1904–05.

UNDER THE COMPANY, VIRGINIA AS A PROPRIETARY PROVINCE.

1606-1624.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COLLECTIONS.

1612. For the Colony in Virginea Britannia. Lawes Divine, Morall and Martiall, &c. . . . London, Burre, 1612.

Reprinted (1844) in Force's Tracts, v. 3. There is an original copy in the John Carter Brown Library. For comment on laws see Brown's Genesis, 528–30.

SESSION LAWS.

1. 1619, July 30–Aug. 4. James City. Acts.

1857. ser. 2. Coll. N. Y. Hist. Socy., v. 3: 346–355.

1621, Nov.–Dec. Acts, i, Hening, 119.

1623, [Feb.] Not found.

1623/24, Feb. 16–Mar. 5. Acts, i, Hening, 121–129.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Proceedings.

1. 1619, July 30–Aug. 4. James City.

(1857.) N. Y. Hist. Socy. Coll., 2d ser., v. 3, pt. 1: 329–358; with an introductory note by George Bancroft.

—— Same, separate. 30 pp.

Substance given in Campbell's Hist. of Va. Also published in full under title of "Colonial Records of Va., Senate Document." Richmond, 1874.

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1621, Nov.–Dec. Not found.

1623, [Feb.]

Cf. "Answer of the General Assembly in Va. to the Declaration of the state of the colony in the twelve years of Sir Thomas Smyth's government."

Col. State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies. v. 1, p. 39 (20 ii).

1623/24, Feb. 16–Mar. 5. Not found.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1607, May 13–Sept. 10. Edward M. Wingfield, pres. of the Council in Va.
1607, Sept. 10–Sept. 7, 1608. John Ratcliffe, pres. of the Council in Va.
1608, Sept. 7–Aug., 1609. Capt. John Smith, pres. of the Council in Va.
1609, Aug.–June, 1610. Capt. George Percy, pres. of the Council in Va.
1610, June 10–June 20, 1610. Sir Thomas Gates, lieut. gen. and depy. gov.
1610, June 20–Mar. 28, 1611. Lord De La Warr, gov. and capt. gen.
1611, Mar. 28–May 19. Capt. George Percy, depy. gov.
1611, May 19–Aug. Sir Thomas Dale, high marshall and actg. gov.
1611, Aug.–Mar. 1613. Sir Thomas Gates, actg. gov.
1613, Mar.–Apr. 1616. Sir Thomas Dale, actg. gov.
1616, Apr.–May, 1617. Capt. George Yeardley, depy. or lieut. gov.
1617, May–Apr., 1619. Capt. Sam'l Argall, depy. or lieut. gov.
1619, Apr. 9–19. Capt. Nathaniel Powell, pres. of the Council in Va.
1619, Apr. 19–Nov. 18, 1621. Sir George Yeardley, gov. and capt. gen.
1621, Nov. 18–May 17, 1626. Sir Francis Wyatt, capt. gen.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1609, May. Instructions to Sir Thomas Gates, governor of Virginia.

Fully outlined in Osgood, American Colonies, I, 61–64.

1610, Feb. 28. Commission to Sir Thomas West, Lord La Warr, governor of Virginia.

1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S., i: 375 et seq.
1898. Greene. Provincial Governor, 207–213.

1618, Nov. 18. Instructions to George Yeardley, governor of Virginia.

1895. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., ii: 154–165.

1621, July 24. Commission to Sir Francis Wyatt.

1823. Hening, i: 113–114.

——, ——. Instructions to Sir Francis Wyatt.

1823. Hening, I.: 114–117. (Extended abstract.)

HIS MAJESTY'S COUNCIL FOR VIRGINIA.

1606, Nov. 20. Royal articles and instructions constituting H. M. Council for Virginia. 4 James.

1804. Burk. Hist. of Va., i: 85–92. (Extended abstr.)
1809. Hening, i: 67–75. (Full text.)
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S., 65–75. (Full text.)

1607, Mar. 9. Royal ordinance and constitution enlarging the council. 4 James.

1809. Hening, i: 76–79.
1890. Brown. Genesis of U. S., 91–95.

For letters written and broadsides published by the Council of Virginia, 1608–1616, see Brown's Genesis of U. S.

For full bibliography of Virginia during this period of its history see Kingsbury, Records of Virginia Company of London, i. 119–206. Washington, Govt. Printing Office, 1906.

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ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

1624-1776.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COLLECTIONS—INCLUDING REVISALS AND ABRIDGEMENTS.

1632. First revisal of the laws of Virginia. 61 acts. (i, Hening, 178–202.)

1642/43. Second revisal of the laws of Virginia. 73 acts. (i, Hening, 238–282.)

1657/58. Third revisal of the laws of Virginia. 131 acts. (i, Hening, 429–494.)

1662. The Lawes of Virginia Now in Force. . . . London, Cotes, 1662. (2), 2, 82 (4) pp. F°.

Edited by Francis Moryson. Also in Hening, ii: 41–148.

1677. A List of Acts passed in Virginia from March, 1661, to October, 1667, "transmitted by Captain Jeffreys and received by the Right Honourable Mr. Secretary [to the King's Council] Coventry on 24th September, 1678. Sir William Berkeley, Governor." Total, 192 acts. Also the full text of each separate Act. Certified copy "drawn from the book of laws" by Robert Beverley, clerk of the Assembly. 102 pp.

Manuscript copy.

London. Public Record office. Colon. Entry Book, v. lxxxvi, pp. 1–102.

This item is taken from Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1675–1676, no. 1219. While it is not the intention, in this compilation, to include archives in manuscript, it is believed that this item has such bearing on the history of legislation in Virginia to warrant its inclusion here, although it has never been printed.

1684. A Complete Collection of all the Laws of Virginia Now in Force . . . London [1684]. (1), (4), 300, (22) pp. F°.

Edited by John Purvis.

1694. An abridgment of the laws of Virginia, made by Philip Ludwell and now for the first time printed. Richmond, Va.: House of the Society, 1903. (1), 78 pp. 8°.

Repr. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr. Pub. by Va. Hist. Socy.

1697. "The Laws of Virginia now in force or which may be made so by taking off the suspension which some of them lie under as they are transcribed from the records in Anno 1697." Received in Sir Edmond [*sic*] Andros' letter to the Board [of Trade and Plantations], dated 5th June, 1698. 136 pp.

Manuscript copy.

London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., vol. 86, pp. 1–136.

See note under item of date of 1677 which also applies here.

That this revisal received official recognition is shown by a letter of the Council of Trade and Plantations to Governor Andros of date of Sept. 2, 1697. The letter is printed in full in Calendar of State Papers Amer. and W. Indies, 1696–1697, no. 1295. "This seems to have been one great occasion of the confusion which necessitated giving an instruction first to Lord Howard and since to yourself, to revise the laws and send over a draft body of those in force there with your opinion thereon. . . . We observe indeed that the revisal of the laws has been obstructed by heats and differences in the Assemblies, though with what reason or want of reason we have not examined."

Attention is called to the following entry in the Journal of the Council of Trade and Plantations of Sept. 17, 1697, as having a bearing on the contemporary condition or present existence of similar material. "Order . . . that a set of all the Virginian laws belonging to Mr. William Bird of Lincoln's Inn be borrowed, if possible, from him."

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1722. Abridgement of the publick Laws of Virginia; in force and use June 10, 1720. London, 1722. 200 pp. 8°.

It has been possible to locate but one copy of this compilation. Hening, i: v, had a copy in his possession (1809) the property of Linnaeus Bolling. There is no mention of it in Leigh, Codes of Va. (1819), and Bryan had not seen a copy when he wrote his "Statutes of Va. Prior to this Century" for the Va. Bar Assn. in 1898. There is no copy in the British Museum. The one copy located is, at present, in the Church collection. The entry in the Church catalogue (no. 884) is accompanied by the following note: "From the fact that this work was printed by the same printers and during the same year, as the second edition of Robert Beverley's History of Va., it has been surmised that he is the compiler of the work. It is not an official publication."

1725. Laws of Virginia relating to the church and the clergy, religion and learning. In Trott. Laws of the British Colonies in America relating to the church and the clergy, etc. pp. 105–161. London, 1725.

1727. Acts of Assembly, passed in the colony of Virginia, from 1662 to 1715. vol. 1. London, Baskett, 1727. xxiv, 391 pp. F°.

See Brinley, no. 3692, for note re this collection. vol. 2 was never published.

1728. An Abridgement of the Publick Laws of Virginia, in force and use, June 10, 1720, etc. . . . London, 1728. 8, 184, (15) pp. 8°.

This is a second edition of the 1722 compilation.

1733. A collection of all the acts of Assembly, now in force . . . with the titles of such as are expir'd, or repeal'd. . . . Williamsburg, Parks, 1733. (1), 622 pp. F°.

1737. An exact abridgment of all the public acts of Assembly . . . in force and use. . . . By John Mercer. Williamsburg, Parks, 1737. xivii, 345 pp., 41 l. 8°.

1739. A continuation of the abridgment of all the public acts of Assembly . . . in force and use. . . . By John Mercer. Williamsburg, Parks, 1739. vi, (1), 347–376, (14) pp. 8°.

1748. Acts | of | Assembly. | Now in Force, in | Virginia | Occasioned by the Repeal of sundry Acts made | in the Twenty Second Year of his Majesty's | Reign, and in the Year of our Lord 1748. | 58 pp. F°. n. t. p.

1752. The acts of Assembly, now in force. . . . Williamsburg, Hunter, 1752. (3), vi, 455 (1) pp. F°.

1759. An exact abridgement of all the public acts of Assembly . . . in force and use. Jan. 1, 1758. . . . By John Mercer. Glasgow, 1759. (1), xxii, 482 pp. 4°.

1769. The acts of Assembly, now in force, . . . with an exact table to the whole. Williamsburg, Rind, Purdie & Dixon, 1769. (1), 577 pp. F°.

1785. A collection of all such public acts of the General Assembly, and ordinances of the conventions of Virginia, passed since . . . 1768, as are now in force. . . . Richmond, Nicolson & Prentis, 1785. 235 pp. F°.

SESSION LAWS.

Dates in brackets are inferential. Dates of sessions have been given only when it could be done with certainty. Authorities for assumed sessions have been given.

? 1628 [Mar. 26]. Not found.

? 1629 [Oct. 16]. Not found.

The text in i Hening 137–144 is more in the nature of a journal than of acts.

? 1629/30, Mar. i Hening, 147–153.

? 1631/32, Feb. 21–Mar. 6. i Hening, 153–177.

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? 1632, Sept. 4–? 1 Hening, 178–202.

At this session the first revisal of the laws of Va. was made. See p. 472.

? 1632/33, Feb. 1. 1 Hening, 203–209.

? 1633, Aug. 21–? 1 Hening, 209–222.

Imperfect.

? 1634, Feb. 20. Not found.

? 1635, Feb. 20. Not found.

Cf. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 268, "Acts for restricting excessive purchase of wines [of this Assembly] to be revised."

? 1637, Feb. 20. Not found.

Cf. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 268, "Acts for 20th of the Assembly of Virginia" [of this date].

? 1638 [Feb.] Not found.

Cf. Gov. Harvey to Secy. Windebank Jan. 29, 1638, "Hopes the ensuing Assembly will prevent the like badness in the future." Calendar of State Papers, v. 1, p. 262 (82); and same to same, March 23, 1638, "An Act of Assembly has been passed for regulating tobacco." Ib., p. 266 (90).

? 1639, Jan. 6–? 1 Hening, 224–230.

? 1639, Oct.–? Not found.

"Whereas at an Assembly in October, 1639." 1 Hening, 274. cf. Ib., 316.

? 1640, Jan.–? Not found.

"Whereas it was enacted at an Assembly in Jan., 1640." 1 Hening, 280.

? 1641, Jan. 12–?[a] Not found.

"Whereas it was appointed by an Act of Assembly January, 1641." 1 Hening, 267.

? 1642, Apr. 1–?[a] James City. Not found.

See note under General Assembly, this date, p. 479.

?1642/43, Mar. 2–? 1 Hening, 238–282.

At this session the second revisal of the laws of Va. was made. See p. 472.

? 1644, Oct. 11–? 1 Hening, 282–288.

? 1644/45, Feb. 17–? 1 Hening, 288–298.

1. 1645, Nov. 20–? 1 Hening, 298–309.

2. 1645/46, Mar. 2–? 1 Hening, 309–321.

? 1646, Oct. 5–? 1 Hening, 322–338.

1. 1647, Nov. 3–? 1 Hening, 339–352.

2. 1648, Oct. 12–? 1 Hening, 352–357.

? 1649, Oct. 10–? 1 Hening, 358–362.

? 1650/51, Mar.–? Not found.

See note under General Assembly, this date, p. 479.

? 1652, Apr. 30 (26)–?[b] 1 Hening, 371–373.

? 1652 [Nov. 25]. Not found.

See note under General Assembly, this date, p. 479.

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[a] From Stanard's Colon. Va. Register.
[b] Stanard, Colon. Va. Register.

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? 1653 [July 5]? Not found.

See ib., p. 479.

? 1654, Jan. 4? Not found.

See ib., p. 479.

1. 1654, Nov. 20–? i Hening, 390–393.
2. 1655, Mar. 31–? i Hening, 408–414.
1. 1656, Mar. 10–? i Hening, 393–403.
2. 1656, Dec. 1–? i Hening, 414–421.

? 1657/58, Mar. 3–?

At this session the third revisal of the laws of Va. was passed. See p. 472.

? 1658/59, Mar. 31–? i Hening, 516–526.
? 1659/60, Mar. –? i Hening, 526–543.
? 1660, Oct. 11–? Not found.

1. 1661, Mar. 23–? ii Hening, 17–32.
2. 1662, Mar. 23–?

At this session the fourth revisal of the laws of Va. was passed. See p. 472.

3. 1662, Dec. 2–? ii Hening, 163–179.
4. 1663, Sept. 10–? ii Hening, 180–195.
5. 1664, Sept. 20–? ii Hening, 208–213.
6. 1665, Oct. 10–? ii Hening, 214–223.
7. 1666, June 5–? ii Hening, 224–228.
8. 1666, Oct. 23–? ii Hening, 229–248.
9. 1667, Sept. 23–? ii Hening, 255–263.
10. 1668, Sept. 17–Oct. 20.[a] ii Hening, 264–269.
11. 1669, Oct. 20–? ii Hening, 270–276.
12. 1670, Oct. 3–? ii Hening, 277–285.
13. 1671, Sept. 20–? ii Hening, 286–290.
14. 1672, Sept. 24–? ii Hening, 293–302.
15. 1673, Oct. 20–? ii Hening, 303–310.
16. 1674, Sept. 21–? ii Hening, 311–325.
17. 1675, Mar. 17–? ii Hening, 326–340.

1. 1676, June 5–? ii Hening, 341–365.

Bacon's laws.

1. 1677, Feb. 20–? ii Hening, 366–401.

1. 1677, Oct. 10–? ii Hening, 407–420.

1. 1679, Aug. 25–? ii Hening, 433–454.

1. 1680, June 8–July 7. ii Hening, 458–488.

? 1682.[b] See note in Stanard's Colonial Va. Register re session in spring of year.

? 1682, Nov. 10–?. ii Hening, 490–508.

1. 1683, Nov. 10–Dec. 22. Not found.

1. 1684, Apr. 16–May 24. iii Hening, 1–27.

1. 1685, Oct. 1–Dec. 13. Not found.[c]

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[a] From Stanard's Colonial Va. Register.
[b] The dates given by Jameson are those of minutes of the council sessions. See p. 481.
[c] Hening says "called but no session." See Assembly minutes, p. 482.

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2. 1686, Oct. 20–Nov. 15.[a] iii Hening, 28–41.

1. 1688, Apr. 24 (19)–May 12. Not found. Cf. Ludwell; and Assembly minutes, p. 483.

1. 1691, Apr. 16–May 22. iii Hening, 42–97.
2. 1692, Apr. 1–30. iii Hening, 98–107.

1. 1693, Mar. 2–Apr. 3. iii Hening, 108–118.
1. 1693, Sept. 25–26. Not found; probably none passed; see under House of Burgesses.
1. 1693, Oct. 10–Nov. 18. iii Hening, 119–125.
1. 1695, Apr. 15–May 18. iii Hening, 126–136.
2. 1696, Apr. 23–30. Not found.

1. 1696, Sept. 24–Oct. 31. Not found.
2. 1697, Apr. 29–30. Not found.
3. 1697, Oct. 21–Nov. 3. Not found.

1. 1698, Sept. 28–Oct. 6. Not found.
2. 1699, Apr. 27–June 8. iii Hening, 168–199.
3. 1700, May.[b] Not found.
4. 1700, Oct.[b] Not found.

1. 1700, Dec. 5–? iii Hening, 200–203.
2. 1701, Aug. 6–? iii Hening, 204–215.
3. 1702, May 13–? iii Hening, 216–217.
4. 1702, Aug. 14–? iii Hening, 218–223.

1. 1702/3, Mar. 19–? Not found.
2. 1704, Apr. 20–? iii Hening, 224–226.
3. 1705, Apr. 18–? iii Hening, 227–228.

1. 1705, Oct. 23–? iii Hening, 229–481.
2. 1706, Apr. 24–? Not found.

1. 1710, Oct. 25–? iii Hening, 482–540.
2. 1711, Nov. 7–? iv Hening, 1–29.
3. 1712, Jan. 24.[c]

1. 1712, Oct. 22–? iv Hening, 30–36.
2. 1713, Nov. 5–? iv Hening, 37–50.
3. 1714, Nov. 16–? iv Hening, 51–57.

1. 1715, Aug. 3–? iv Hening, 58. Titles only.

1. 1718, Apr. 23–? iv Hening, 59–75.
2. 1718, Nov. 11–? iv Hening, 76. Titles only.

1. 1720, Nov. 2–? iv Hening, 77–95.
2. 1722, May 9–? iv Hening, 96–117.

1. 1723, May 9–? iv Hening, 118–142.
2. 1726, May 12–? iv Hening, 143–181.

1. 1728, Feb. 1–? iv Hening, 182–240.
2. 1730, May 21–? iv Hening, 241–308.
3. 1732, May 18–? iv Hening, 309–379.
4. 1734, Aug. 22–Oct. 1. n. t. p. 51(1) pp. F°.

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[a] Date as given in Jameson is Nov. 17. Abstr. of Nov. 15 clearly refers to dissolution on that day.

[b] See note in Stanard's Colonial Va. Register.

[c] Stanard's Colonial Va. Register.

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1. 1736, Aug. 5–Sept. 23. n. t. p. F°.

There are two editions of this publication which the compiler has determined by side-by-side comparison. It is possible that there is a third edition, but, as the copy which has led to this surmise has not been seen by the compiler, it can not be stated as a fact, though the evidence strongly inclines to the existence of an edition other than the two collated below.

Anno Regni Georgii II, Regis Magnæ Britanniæ Franciæ & Hiberniæ, Decimo. n. t. p. F°. pp. 1–5, 10–11, 8–36, 33–44.

Anno Regni Georgii II, Regis Magnæ Britanniæ Francæ & Hiberniæ, Decimo. n. t. p. F°. pp. 1–40, 37–40, 45–48.

Note, in addition to variation in paging, the variation in spelling of Franciæ. There are other variations. A copy of each edition is in the N. Y. Public Library.

A reprint of the text of the acts is in iv Hening, 469–453.

2. 1738, Nov. 1–Dec. 21. n. p., n. d. 52 pp. F°.
3. 1740, May 22–June 17. n. p., n d. 21 pp. F°.
4. 1740, Aug. 21–28. n. p., n. d. 2 pp. F°.

1. 1742, May 6–June 19. n. t. p. 58 pp. F°.
2. 1744, Sept. 4–Oct. 25. Williamsburg, Wm. Parks, 1744. 1 l., 58 pp. F°.
3. 1745, Feb. 20–Apr. 12. Williamsburg, Wm. Parks, 1746. 1 l., 55 (1) pp. F°.
4. 1746, July 11–16. n. t. p. 4 pp. F°.
5. 1747, Mar. 30–Apr. 18. Not found.

1. 1748, Oct. 27–May 11, 1749. n. t. p. (Imperfect copy in State Law Library of Va.)

1. 1752, Feb. 27–Apr. 20. n. t. p. 47 (1) pp. F°.
2. 1753, Nov. 1–Dec. 19. Williamsburg, Hunter, 1754. 1 l., 46 pp. F°.
3. 1754, Feb. 14–23. n. t. p. 4 pp. F°.
4. 1754, Aug. 22–Sept. 5. n. t. p. 6 pp. F°.
5. 1754, Oct. 17–Nov. 2. n. t. p. 11 (1) pp. F°.
6. 1755, May 1–July 9. n. t. p. 35 (1) pp. F°.
7. 1755, Aug. 5–23. n. t. p. 22 pp. F°.
8. 1755, Oct. 27–Nov. 8. n. t. p. 8 pp. F°.

1. 1756, Mar. 25–May 5. n. t. p. 28 pp. F°.
2. 1756, Sept. 20–28. n. t. p. 4 pp. F°.
3. 1757, Apr. 14–June 8. n. t. p. 48 pp. F°.
4. 1758, May 30–Apr. 12. n. t. p. 5 pp. F°.

1. 1758, Sept. 14–Oct. 12. n. t. p. 34 pp. F°.
2. 1758, Nov. 9–11 [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1758.] 2 pp. F°.
3. 1759, Feb. 22–Apr. 14. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1759.] 36 pp. F°.
4. 1759, Nov. 1–21. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1759.] 8 pp. F°.
5. 1760, Mar. 4–11. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1760.] 6 pp. F°.
6. 1760, May 19–24. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1760.] 6 pp. F°.
7. 1760, Oct. 6–20. / 1760, Dec. 11. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1760.] 7 pp. F°.
   1761, Mar. 5–Apr. 10. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1761.] pp. 9–50. F°.

1. 1761, Nov. 3–14. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1761.] 14 pp. F°.
2. 1762, Jan. 14–21. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1761.] 2 pp. F°.
3. 1762, Mar. 30–Apr. 7. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1762.] 10 pp. F°.
4. 1762, Nov. 2–Dec. 23. [Williamsburg, Hunter, 1762.] 52 pp. F°.
5. 1763. May 19–31. n. t. p. 9 (1) pp. F°.
6. 1764, June 12–21. n. t. p. 10 pp. F°.
7. 1764, Oct. 30–Dec. 31. / 1765, May 1–June 1. n. t. p. 73 (1) pp. F°.

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1. 1766, Nov. 6. n. t. p. 50 pp. F°.
2. 1767. Not found.
3. 1768, May 31. Not found.

1. 1769, May 8–17. Not found.

1. {1769, Nov. 7–Dec. 21. / 1770, May 20–June 28.} Williamsburg, Rind, 1770. 1 l., 83 (1) pp. F°.
2. 1771, July 11–20. Williamsburg, Rind, 1771. 1 l., 51 pp. F°.

1. 1772, Feb. 10–Apr. 11. F°.

There are two editions of this publication. A copy of each is in the N. Y. Public Library.

Williamsburg, Rind, 1771. 1 l., 51 pp. F°. Sig. A–M in twos.

Williamsburg, Rind, 1772. 1 l., (1), 2–59 (1) pp. F°. Sig. A–N in twos, O in fours.

2. 1773, Mar. 4–15. Not found.
3. 1774, May 5–26. Not found.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Proceedings.

?1628 [Mar. 26.]

Cf. "Answer of the General Assembly," i Hening, 134–136.

?1629 [Oct. 16]. Not found unless the text in i Hening, 137–144, may be looked upon as being more in the nature of a journal than of acts.

?1629/30, Mar. Not found.

Cf. Gov. Sir John Harvey to Secy. Dorchester, Apr. 15, 1630. "This great sickness prevented him calling an Assembly until the week before Easter." (Calend. State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 113 (83); and May 29, 1630, to the Privy Council. "Was unable to attend to the affairs of the colony until the week before Easter by reason of a long . . . sickness. He then called an Assembly at James City." Ib., p. 117 (95).

?1631/32, Feb. 21–Mar. 6. James City. Not found.

?1632, Sept. 4–? Not found.

?1632/33, Feb. 1–? Not found.

?1633, Aug. 21–? Not found.

?1634, Feb. 20. Not found.

Cf. Gov. Harvey to Secy. Windebank, Jan. 27, 1634, "Will make known the King's commands to the Assembly which will meet on the 20th of next month." (Calen. State Papers Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 195 (44). See also references in Stanard's Colon. Va. Register. Date of assembly convention is here given as May 7.

?1635, Feb. 20. Not found.

Cf. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 268, "Acts for restraining excessive purchase of wines [of this Assembly] to be revived."

?1637, Feb. 20. Not found.

Cf. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, v. 1, p. 245, "Act the 20th of the Assembly of Virginia" [of this date].

?1638 [Feb.]. Not found.

Cf. Gov. Harvey to Secy. Windebank, Jan. 29, 1638, "Hopes the ensuing Assembly will prevent the like badness in future." Calendar of State Papers, v. 1, p. 262 (82); and same to same, March 22, 1638, "An Act of Assembly has been passed for regulating tobacco." Ib., p. 266 (90).

?1639, Jan. 6–? Not found.

?1639, Oct. Not found.

Cf. Hening, 1:274, "Whereas at an Assembly in October, 1639." Cf. ib., 316.

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? 1640, Jan.–? Not found.

cf. Hening, i: 280, "Whereas it was enacted at an Assembly in Jan. 1640."

? 1641, Jan. 12.[a] Not found.

A list of members and of some of the acts is given in Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., ix: 50–59.

? 1642, Apr. 1.[b]

Certain proceedings of the Assembly dated Apr., 1642, are given in i Hening, 230–236, and a remonstrance of the General Assembly, text in full, dated July 1, 1642, is given ib., 236–238.

? 1642/43, Mar. 2–? Not found.

? 1644, Oct. 1–? Not found.

? 1644/45, Feb. 17–? Not found.

1. 1645, Nov. 20–? Not found.

2. 1645/46, Mar. 2–? Not found.

? 1646, Oct. 5–? Not found.

1. 1647, Nov. 3–? Not found.

2. 1648, Oct. 12–? Not found.

? 1649, Oct. 10–? Not found.

? 1650/51, Mar.–?

Governor's address and reply of the Assembly, March, 1651, to the non-intercourse act of Oct. 3, 1650.

There is, in the Virginia State Library, a MS. copy of a pamphlet in the library of Trinity College, Dublin, containing the above address and reply. It has been reprinted in the Va. Mag. of Hist. and Biogr., i: 75–81. See also same magazine, xi: 32–41. The articles at the surrender of the country to the parliamentary commissioners are printed in i Hening, 363–368.

? 1652, Apr. (26)–?[c]

See Hening, i: 369–371, for list of names of burgesses returned.

? 1652 [Nov. 25]–?

See Hening, i: 373–377, for list of burgesses and orders in Assembly.

1653 [July 5]–?

See Hening, i: 377–385, for list of burgesses and orders in Assembly.

1654, Jan. 4–? Not found.

"Lord Pro'ctor and Council of State to Governor and Assembly of Virginia." (Virginia State Library. Calendar of Transcripts, 200.)

1. 1654, Nov. 20–?

See Hening, i: 386–390, for list of burgesses and orders in Assembly.

2. 1655, Mar. 3–?[a] Not found.

Public orders of Assembly. i Hening, 404–407.

1657, Mar. 3–? Not found.

"Whereas the First Act of the Assembly held at James City the third of November, 1647, and continued by the Assembly held there, the third of March, 1657." (ch. xiii, revisal of 1662.) There were at least 61 acts passed at this session. (Cf. above quoted ch.)

? 1653 [July 5]–?

See Hening, i: 377–385, for list of burgesses and orders in Assembly.

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[a] From Stanard's Colonial Va. Register.

[b] Stanard, Colonial Va. Register.

[c] Under title "Public orders of the Assembly," Hening prints promiscuously, the Journals of the House of Burgesses, containing the apptmt. of committees, &c., resolutions of the Assembly on general and local subjects which have the force of laws, and the decisions of the house on appeals in civil actions. Such parts as relate to private affairs are omitted.

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? 1654, Jan. 4–? Not found.

"Lord Pro'ctor and Council of State to Governor and Assembly of Virginia." (Va. State Library. Calendar of Transcripts, 200.)

1. 1654, Nov. 20–?

See Hening, i: 386–390, for list of burgesses and orders in Assembly.

2. 1655, Mar. 31–? Not found.

Public orders of Assembly, i Hening, 404–407. Under this title Hening prints promiscuously the journal of the House of Burgesses, containing the appointment of committees, etc., the resolutions of the Assembly on general and local subjects which have the force of laws, and the decisions of the house on appeals in civil actions. Such part as relate to private affairs he omits.

1. 1656, Mar. 10–? Not found.
2. 1656, Dec. 1–? i Hening, 421–428.
? 1657/58, Mar. 3–? i Hening, 495–505.
? 1658/59, Mar. 31–? i Hening, 505–516.
? 1659/60, Mar.–? i Hening, 543–551.
? 1660, Oct. 11–? ii Hening, 1–16. Assembly orders only.

1. 1661, Mar. 23–? ii, Hening, 33–40.[a]
2. 1662, Mar. 23–? ii, Hening, 149–162.[a]
3. 1662, Dec. 23–? Not found.
4. 1663, Sept. 10–? Not found.
5. 1664, Sept. 20–? Not found.
6. 1665, Oct. 10–? Not found.
7. 1666, June 5–? Not found.
8. 1666, Oct. 23–? Not found.
9. 1667, Sept. 23–? Not found.
10. 1668, Sept. 17 [–Oct. 20].[b] Not found.
11. 1669, Oct. 20–? Not found.
12. 1670, Oct. 3–? Not found.
13. 1671, Sept. 20–? ii Hening, 291–292.

An abstr. of the proceedings is given in Calendar of St. Papers, Amer. and W. Ind., 1669–74, no. 1353.

14. 1672, Sept. 24–? Not found.
15. 1673, Oct. 20–? Not found.
16. 1674, Sept. 21–? Not found.
17. 1675, Mar. 17–? Not found.

1. 1676, June 5–25. Not found.

1. 1677, Feb. 20. ii, Hening, 401–406.

Assembly orders and resolutions in Hening. In the Calendar of State Papers, Amer. and W. Ind., 1677–80, no. 69–71, there is an abstract of minutes and orders of the Assembly for Feb. 20, ib., no. 167 for Apr. 2.

1. 1677, Oct. 10–? ii, Hening, 421 et seq.

Orders and resolutions only in Hening. Abstract of minutes and orders in Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Ind., 1677–80, no. 519, ii.

1. 1679, Aug. 25–? ii, Hening, 455–457.

Orders and resolutions only.

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[a] Assembly orders only. [b] From Stanard's Colonial Va. Register.

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COUNCIL.

At the June session, 1680, the House of Burgesses and the Council acting as an Upper House, for the first time sat separately. The manuscript copies in the State Library at Richmond are indicated in the Calendar of Transcripts recently issued by that library.

In the following collation most of the references are to the Calendars of State Papers. The entries in these calendars are all abstracts. They are given, however, with fullness, and this, together with the large number of entries abstracted, was the reason for this specific collation. The resulting bulk of material is sufficient, it is believed, to enable the student to make a fair analysis of the powers and functions of this body. Moreover, even though the text of scattering minutes may exist in full in manuscript in one or two depositories in this country, they are not as available for the purposes of general study as are the Calendars of State Papers. All references to printed texts of the minutes of the Council, other than those to the Calendars, may be accepted as the full text of the minutes.

Minutes.

1630, July 9–Sept. 17. Extract from minutes of judicial proceedings of governor and council of Virginia.

1 Hening, 145–146, 209, 223.

See also note, ib., re judicial powers of council.

1631–1640. Extracts. 1 Hening, 551–552.

1678, Mar. 27. Calend. St. P. Amer. and W. Ind., 1696–97, no. 1130 I.

1680, June–July. Abstr. in Calend. St. Papers. Amer. and W. Ind., 1677–80.

1681, Oct.
1682, Jan.–Dec.
1683, Jan.–Nov.
1684, Feb.–Nov. } ib., 1681–85.

1685, Mar.–June.
1686, Feb.–July.
1687, Apr., Oct.
1688, Feb.–Dec. } ib., 1685–88.

1689, Feb., Apr.
1690, Jan.–Oct
1691, Jan.–Dec.
1692, Jan.–Nov. } ib., 1689–92.

There is a manuscript volume of Va. Council minutes, covering the period from Sept. 20, 1692, to July 22, 1693, in the Va. State Library at Richmond.

1693, Jan.–Nov.
1694, Jan.–Oct.
1695, Mar.–Dec.
1696, Feb.–May. } ib., 1693–96.

1696, May–Oct.
1697, Mar.–Oct. } ib., 1696–97.

In using the index to the Calendar of State Papers for 1693–96 it will be necessary to add the nos. 469 and 1872.

1697, Nov.
1698, Jan.–Dec. } ib., 1697–98.

1699, Feb. 24. Text in full. N. C. Colon. Rec., 1: 505.

1703, Apr. 24. Text in full. ib., 1: 570.

1705, May 12, June 26. Text in full. ib., 1: 615.

1706, Oct. 17, 22. Text in full. ib., 1: 645, 646.

1707, Sept. 2. Text in full. ib., 1: 667.

1708, Oct. 19. Text in full. ib., 1: 690.

1710, Oct. 24. Text in full. ib., 1: 746.

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1711, Feb. 6, Je. 13, July 5, 24, Oct. 8, 24. Text in full. ib., i: 754, 757, 762, 778, 808, 815.

1712, Feb. 20. Text in full. ib., i: 836.

1713, Mar. 5, Apr. 16, Aug. 12, Nov. 6, ib., ii: 22, 36, 57, 73.

1715, Nov. 1. Text in full. ib., ii: 205.

1716, Nov. 3. Text in full. ib., ii: 247.

1716, Oct. 27–Nov. 13, 1717. Text in full. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., iv: 364–376.

1719, Mar. 11. Text in full. N. C. Colon. Rec., ii: 327.

1720, Mar. 20. Text in full. ib., ii: 382.

1723, Oct. 24. Text in full. ib., ii: 499.

1737–1763. Text in full. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., xiv: 1–35.

1775, May 2–3. Text in full. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 464–466..

There are manuscript volumes of Va. Council minutes (legislative) covering much of the period from 1696 to 1753 in the State Library at Richmond.

HOUSE OF BURGESSES.

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Journal.

Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1758–1761. Edited by H. R. McIlwaine. Richmond, 1908. xix, 313 pp. 1 facs. doc. F°.

Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1761–1765. Edited by John Pendleton Kennedy. Richmond, 1907. lxxvi, 383 pp. 1 facs. F°.

Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1766–1769. . . . Edited by John Pendleton Kennedy. Richmond, 1906. xliv, 372 pp., il. 1 facs. F°.

Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1770–1772. Edited by John Pendleton Kennedy. Richmond, 1906. xxxv, 333 pp. 1 map. F°.

Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1773–1776, including the records of the Committee of Correspondence. Edited by John Pendleton Kennedy. Richmond, 1905. xxiii, 301 pp. 1 facs. F°.

SESSIONAL ISSUES.

1680, June 8–July 7.

Abstracts of the journal of this session, the first during which the Burgesses and the Council, acting as an upper house, sat separately, may be found in the Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1677–80, no. 1376–77, 1384–85, 1396, 1408, 1422. Burgesses adjourned to Feb. 15, 1681. See also ii Hening, 488–489.

? 1682[a]. See note in Stanard's Colonial Va. Register, re session in spring of year.

? 1682, Nov. 10–? Not found.

1. 1683, Nov. 10–Dec. 22.

Abstracts of the minutes of this assembly with names of burgesses returned may be found in Calendar of St. Papers Amer. and W. Ind., 1681–85, nos. 1373, 1388, 1400, 1414, 1439, 1465, 1476.

1. 1684, Apr. 16–May 24.

Abstracts of minutes, with list of members of this Assembly, may be found in Calend. of St. Papers, Amer. and W. Ind., 1681–85, no. 1638, 1643, 1654, 1663, 1675, 1694.

1. 1685, Oct. 1–Dec. 13.

Abstracts of minutes of this session may be found in the Calendar as above, 1685–88, nos. 392, 444, 464, 467, 474, 482, 492. Abstracts begin with Oct. 3.

There is a manuscript copy of this journal from Oct. 1–13 in the State Library at Richmond.

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[a] The dates given by Jameson are those of minutes of Council sessions (see p. 481). Indications of an Assembly session are found in these minutes.

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2. 1686, Oct. 20–Nov. 15.[a]
Abstracts as above, nos. 924, 927, 938, 939, 963, 964, 983, 984, 993, 994.

1. 1688, Apr. 24–May 12.
Abstracts as above, nos. 1716, 1729, 1748.

1. 1691, Apr. 16–May 23.
Abstracts as above, 1689–92, nos. 1408, 1415, 1435, 1436, 1452, 1453, 1476, 1477, 1510, 1511. Apr. 17 earliest abstr. found.

2. 1692, Apr. 1–30.
Abstracts as above, 1689–92, nos. 2151, 2152, 2155, 2168, 2169, 2184, 2185, 2200, 2201.

1. 1693, Mar. 2–Apr. 3.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, no. 146, 147, 174, 175, 188, 189, 201, 202, 220, 221, 234, 235. Assembly dissolved.

1. 1693, Sept. 25–26.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, no. 583. Assembly dissolved.

1. 1693, Oct. 10–Nov. 18.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, nos. 615, 628, 630, 641, 642, 652, 653, 660, 664, 694, 675. Assembly dissolved.

1. 1695, Apr. 15–May 18.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, nos. 1778, 1785, 1791, 1806, 1819. Assembly prorogued.

2. 1696, Apr. 24–30.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, nos. 2347, 2351. Assembly prorogued. [Subsequently dissolved?]

1. 1696, Sept. 24–Oct. 31.
Abstracts as above, 1696–97, no. 258, 265, 291, 299, 328, 345.

2. 1697, Apr. 29–30. Not found.
3. 1697, Oct. 21–Nov. 3.
Abstracts as above, 1696–97, nos. 1402, 1415, and 1697–98.

1. 1698, Sept. 28–Oct. 6. Not found.

1. 1695, Apr. 15–May 18.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, no. 1782, 1784, 1790, 1805, 1818. Assembly prorogued.

2. 1696, Apr. 23–May 1.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, nos. 2346, 2349. Assembly prorogued. [Subsequently dissolved?]

1. 1696, Sept. 28–Oct. 30.
Abstracts as above, 1693–96, nos. 273, 977, 1403, 1414.

2. 1697, Apr. 29–30. Not found.
3. 1697, Oct.–Nov. 3.
Abstract of Nov. 1–3 in Calendar of St. Papers Amer. and W. I., 1697–98.

1. 1698, Sept. 28–Oct. 6.
Abstract as above.
Between this date and those next following there are at the present time, no proceedings of the Burgesses in print, either in abstract or in full text.

1. 1728, Feb. 1–Mar. 30. Journal not printed.
2. 1730, May 21–July 9. Journal not printed.
3. 1732, May 18–July 1. Williamsburg, Parks. 1732. 60 pp. F°.
4. 1734, Aug. 22–Oct. 4. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 73 pp. F°.

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[a] Date as given in Jameson is Nov. 17. Abstr. of Nov. 15 clearly refers to dissolution of assembly on that date.

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1. 1736, Aug. 5–Sept. 23. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 86 pp. F°.
2. 1738, Nov. 1–Dec. 21. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 78 pp. F°.
3. 1740, May 22–June 17. Williamsburg, Parks. n d. 51 pp. F°.
4. 1740, Aug. 21–28. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 7 pp. F°.

1. 1742, May 6–June 19. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 78 pp. F°.
2. 1744, Sept. 4–Oct. 25. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 82 pp. F°.
3. 1746, Feb. 20–Apr. 12. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 82 pp. F°.
4. 1746, July 11–16. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 8 pp. F°.
5. 1747, Mar. 30–Apr. 18 [8]. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 19 pp. F°.

1. 1748, Oct. 27–1749, May 11. Williamsburg, Parks. n. d. 181 pp. F°.

1. 1752, Feb. 27 [5]–Apr. 20. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 124 pp. F°.
2. 1753, Nov. 1–Dec. 19. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 88 pp. F°.
3. 1754, Feb. 14–23. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 14 pp. F°.
4. 1754, Aug. 22–Sept. 5. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 22 pp. F°.
5. 1754, Oct. 17–Nov. 2. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 24 pp. F°.
6. 1755, May 1–July 19. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 83 pp. F°.
7. 1755, Aug. 5–23. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 24 pp. F°.
8. 1755, Oct. 27–Nov. 8. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 16 pp. F°.

1. 1756, Mar. 25–May 5. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 78 pp. F°.
2. 1756, Sept. 20–28. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 12 pp. F°.
3. 1757, Apr. 14–June 8. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 101 pp. F°.
4. 1758, Mar. 30–Apr. 12. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 15 pp. F°.

1. 1758, Sept. 14–Oct. 12. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 57 pp. F°.
2. 1758, Nov. 9–11. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 4 pp. F°.
3. 1759, Feb. 22–Apr. 14. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 94 pp. F°.
4. 1759, Nov. 1–21. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 26 pp. F°.
5. 1760, Mar. 4–11. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 14 pp. F°.
6. 1760, May 19–24. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d. 13 pp. F°.
7. 1760, Oct. 6–20. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d.
   1760, Dec. 11. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d.
   1761, Mar. 5–Apr. 10. Williamsburg, Hunter. n. d.
   } 99 pp. F°.

1. 1761, Nov. 3–14. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 25 pp. F°.
2. 1762, Jan. 14–21. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 14 pp. F°.
3. 1762, Mar. 30–Apr. 7. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 13 pp. F°.
4. 1762, Nov. 2–Dec. 23. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 113 pp. F°.
5. 1763, May 19–31. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 31 pp. F°.
6. 1764, Jan. 12–21. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d. 20 pp. F°.
7. 1764, Oct. 30–Dec. 21. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d.
   1765, May 1–June 1. Williamsburg, Royle. n. d.
   } 151 pp. F°.

The following quotation from Stanard's Virginia Colonial Register, p. 170 et seq., refers to this session: "Jameson's list" [the list used in the present compilation] "makes no mention of this Assembly, nor is there known to be any journal of it extant. No newspaper of that date is known to the compilers, and therefore no information can be obtained from that source. But there was certainly a general election in July, 1765, and the Burgesses then elected appear to have met in October. Washington, in a letter dated August 2, 1765, states that he had been elected for Fairfax, instead of Frederick for which he had previously sat, and that on the 28th of July he had received notice of the prorogation. The records of Fairfax show that George Washington and John West were elected Burgesses on July 16. The records of Essex show that John Lee and Francis Waring were elected July 9, and the Virginia Gazette (quoted in an interleaved almanac [in the Va. Hist. Socy.] by John Randolph), states that on July 5, Attorney General Peyton Randolph was elected member for Williamsburg in the next Assembly. In Hening, vol. 8, p. 69, the acts passed October, 1765, begin."

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1. 1766, Nov. 6–Dec. 16.
2. 1767, Mar. 12–Apr. 11.
3. 1768, Mar. 31–Apr. 16.

} In Journals of the House of Burgesses, 1766–1769, Richmond, 1906.

1. 1769, May 8–17. Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 42 pp. F°.

1. 1769, Nov. 7–Dec. 21.
   1770, May 21–June 28.

} Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 271 pp. F°.

2. 1771, July 11–20. Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 24 pp. F°.

1. 1772, Feb. 10–Apr. 11. Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 164 pp. F°.
2. 1773, Mar. 4–15. Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 31 pp. F°.
3. 1774, May 5–26. Williamsburg, Rind. n. d. 75 pp. F°.
   May 5–13. Also in Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 274–278.

1. 1775, June 1–24.
2. 1775, Oct. 12. No quorum; no session.
3. 1776, Mar. 7. No quorum; no session.
4. 1776, May 6. No quorum; no session.

} In Journals of House of Burgesses, 1773–1775, Richmond, 1905.

PROVINCIAL CONVENTION.

Proceedings and ordinances.

1. 1774, Aug. 1–6. Held at Williamsburg.
   1837. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 686–699.

2. 1775, Mar. 20–27. Held at Richmond. Peyton Randolph, president.

PROCEEDINGS.

1775. Williamsburg, Dixon and Hunter. 1 l., 3–28 pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 8 pp. 4°.
1839. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 165–172.

3. 1775, July 17–Aug. 26. Held at Richmond. Peyton Randolph, president.

PROCEEDINGS.

177?. Williamsburg, Purdie. 1 l., 3–59 (1) pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 54 pp. 4°.
Includes ordinances.
1840. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iii: 365–430.

ORDINANCES.

177?. Williamsburg, Purdie. 1 l., 3–51 (1) pp. F°.
1816. See above, Ordinances, this date.
1821. Hening, ix: 1–74.

4. 1775, Dec. 1–Jan. 20, 1776. Held at Richmond and Williamsburg. Edmund Pendleton, pres.

PROCEEDINGS.

1776. Williamsburg, Purdie. (2), 106 pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 1 l., (1), [57–] 102 pp. 4°.
1843. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, iv: 75–148.

ORDINANCES.

1776. Williamsburg, Purdie. 34 pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 1 l., [105–] 116 pp. 4°.
1821. Hening ix: 75–107.

5. 1776, May 6–July 5. Held at Williamsburg. Edmund Pendleton, pres.

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PROCEEDINGS.

1776. Williamsburg, Purdie. 2 ll., 5–185 (1) pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 86 pp. 4°.
1846. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, vi: 1509–1616.

ORDINANCES.

1776. Williamsburg, Purdie. 1 l., 44 pp. 4°.
1816. Richmond. 19 pp. 4°.
1821. Hening ix: 109–151.

COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE.

Journal.
1759–1767. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., x: 337 et seq.
1773, Mar. 12–Apr. 7, 1775. Calendar Va. State Papers viii: 1–74.[a]
1773–1776. Journals of the House of Burgesses, including the records of the Committee of Correspondence. Edited by John P. Kennedy. Richmond, 1905. xxiii, 301 pp. 1 facs. F°.

COMMITTEE OF SAFETY.

Journal.
1776, Feb. 7–July 5. Calendar Va. State Papers, viii: 75–239.[a]

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1624–1626. Sir Francis Wyatt, gov. and capt. gen.
1626, May 17–Nov. 14, 1627. Sir George Yeardley, gov. and capt. gen.
1627, Nov. 14–Mar. 5, 1629. Capt. Francis West, pres. of the council in Va.
1629, Mar. 5–Mar., 1630. Dr. John Pott, pres. of the council and gov.
1630, Mar.–Apr., 1635. Sir John Harvey, gov. and capt. gen.
1635, Apr. 28–Apr. 2, 1636. Capt. John West, pres. of the council.
1636, Apr. 2–Nov., 1639. Sir John Harvey, gov. and capt. gen.
1639, Nov.–Feb., 1642. Sir Francis Wyatt, gov. and capt. gen.
1642, Feb.–June, 1644. Sir William Berkeley, gov. and capt. gen.
1644, June–June, 1645. Richard Kempe, pres. of council and actg. gov.
1645, June–Apr. 30, 1652. Sir William Berkeley, gov.
1652, Apr. 30–Mar., 1655. Richard Bennett, actg. gov. under Commonwealth. Elected Apr. 30, 1652.
1655, Mar. 31–Mar. 13, 1658. Edward Digges, pres. of council and gov. under Commonwealth. Elected Mar. 31, 1655.
1657, Mar. 13–Jan., 1859. Capt. Samuel Matthews, pres. of council and gov. under Commonwealth. Elected.
1660, Mar. 13–Apr. 30, 1661. Sir William Berkeley, gov.
1661, Mar. 23–Dec. 23, 1662. Col. Francis Moryson, depy. or lieut. gov.
1662, Dec. 23–Apr. 27, 1677. Sir William Berkeley, gov.
1677, Apr. 27–Dec. 30, 1678. Sir Herbert Jeffries, lieut. gov.
1678, Dec. 30–May 10, 1680. Sir Henry Chicheley, depy. gov.
1680, May 10–Sept. 17, 1683. Thomas, Lord Culpeper, gov. and capt. gen.
1683, Sept. 17–Apr. 16, 1684. Nicholas Spencer, pres. of the council.
1684, Apr. 16–Oct. 20, 1688. Francis, Lord Howard, lieut. gov.
1688, Oct. 20–Oct. 16, 1690. Nathaniel Bacon, pres. of the council.
1690, Oct. 16–Oct. 16, 1693. Sir Francis Nicholson, lieut. gov.
1693, Oct. 16–Dec. 9, 1698. Sir Edmund Andros, gov.
1698, Dec. 9–Aug. 15, 1705. Sir Francis Nicholson, lieut. gov.
1705, Aug. 15–Aug., 1706. Edward Nott, lieut. gov.
1706, Aug.–June 23, 1710. Edmund Jenings, pres. of the council.
1707, Apr. 4–June 23, 1710. Robert Hunter, lieut. gov. (Did not come to colony.)

[a] Calendar entries only; no text.

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1710, June 28–Sept. 27, 1722. Alexander Spotswood, lieut. gov.
1722, Sept. 27–July 22, 1726. Hugh Drysdale, lieut. gov.
1726, July 22–Oct. 13, 1727. Robert Carter, pres. of the council.
1727, Oct. 13–June, 1740. William Gooch, lieut. gov.
1740, June–July, 1741. James Blair, pres. of the council.
1741, July–June 20, 1749. Sir William Gooch, lieut. gov.
1749, June 20–Sept. 5, 1749. John Robinson, pres. of the council.
1749, Sept. 5–Feb. 12, 1751. Thomas Lee, pres. of the council.
1751, Feb. 12–Nov. 20. Lewis Burwell, pres. of the council.
1751, Nov. 20–Jan. 1758. Robert Dinwiddie, lieut. gov.
1758, Jan.–June 7. John Blair, pres. of the council.
1758, June 7–Mar. 3, 1768. Francis Fauquier, lieut. gov.
1768, Mar. 3–Oct. John Blair, pres. of the council.
1768, Oct. 28–Oct. 15, 1770. Norborne Berkeley, Baron de Botetourt, gov. in chief.
1770, Oct. 15–Aug., 1771. William Nelson, pres. of the council.
1771, July–June 1775. John Murray, Earl of Dunmore, gov. in chief.

GOVERNORS-IN-CHIEF.

1697–1737. George Hamilton Douglas, Earl of Orkney.
1737–1754. William Anne Keppel, 2d Earl of Albemarle.
1756–1763. John Campbell, Earl of Loudoun.
1763–1768. Sir Jeffrey Amherst.
1768–1770. Norborne Berkeley, Baron de Botetourt.
1771–1775. John Murray, Earl of Dunmore.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1624, Aug. 26. Royal commission to governor and council of Virginia. 22 James I.

1727. Rymer. Fœdera, xvii: 618–621.
1893. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1675–1676, no. 134 (abstract only).
1899. Va. Mag. of Hist., VII, 129. (Abstract only.)

1625/26, Mar. 4. Royal commission to Sir George Yeardley. 1 Charles I.

1726. Rymer. Fœdera, xviii: 311–314.
1792. Hazard. Hist. Coll., i: 230–234.

1626, Apr. 19. Privy council instructions to Sir George Yeardley, governor of Virginia.

1860. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1574–1666, p. 79. (Abstract only.)
1895. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., ii: 393.

1627/28, Mar. 22. Royal commission to John Harvey, governor, and the council of Virginia. 3 Charles I.

1726. Rymer. Fœdera, xviii: 980–983. Commission dated March 26 in Rymer.

1636, Apr. 2. Royal commission to John Harvey, governor, and the council of Virginia. 12 Charles I.

1735. Rymer. Fœdera, xx: 3–5.

1637, Jan. 5. Royal instructions to governor and council (concerning revenue). 12 Charles I.

No printed text found, but there is a fairly full abstract in Calendar State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1574–1660, p. 243.

1639, Jan. 11. Royal commission to Sir Francis Wyatt to be governor of Virginia. 14 Charles I.

1895. Va. Mag. of Hist., ii: 50–54.

1639, Jan. ?. Instructions to Sir. Francis Wyatt.

1895. Va. Mag. of Hist., ii: 54–57 (abstract only).

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1641, Aug. 9. Royal commission to William Berkeley and council. 17 Charles I.
1736. Rymer. Fœdera, xx: 484–486.
1860. Calendar State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1574–1660, p. 321. (Full abstract.)
1898. Greene. The Provincial Governor, pp. 214–218.

1641, Aug. ?. Royal instructions to Sir William Berkeley, governor of Virginia. 17 Charles I.
1895. Va. Mag. Hist. and Iogr., ii: 281–288.
1898. Greene. The Provincial Governor, 219–225.

1650, June 3. Royal commission appointing Sir William Berkeley governor, and . . . Council of Virginia. 2 Charles II.
1860. Calendar State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1574–1660, p. 340. (Short abstract only).

1662, Sept. 12. Royal instructions to Sir William Berkeley, governor of Virginia. 14 Charles II.
1880. Calendar State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1661–1668, no. 368. (Abstract only.)
1896. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., iii: 15 et seq.

1675, July 8. Royal patent appointing Thomas, Lord Culpeper, governor of Virginia. 27 Charles II.
1823. Hening, ii: 565–567.

1676, Oct. 13. Royal additional instructions to Sir William Berkeley. 29 Charles II.
1823. Hening, ii: 424–426.
1893. Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1675–1676, no. 1068. (Abstract only; heads of instructions given.)

1676, Nov. 7. Warrant to the Attorney-General to prepare a bill for H. M. signature, containing a commission to Herbert Jeffreys to be Lieutenant Governor of Virginia. 29 Charles II.
A fairly full abstract is given in Calendar of State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1675–76, no. 1118.

1676, Nov. 11. Royal instructions to Herbert Jeffreys, lieut. gov. of Virginia. 29 Charles II.
These are identical with those given to Sir William Berkeley under date of Oct. 13, 1676, except that articles 7 and 8 of the Berkeley instructions in reference to Bacon are omitted, and in article 9 (7 of the Jeffreys instructions) there is an addition in reference to governor's emolument.

1676, Nov. 11. Additional instructions for Herbert Jeffreys. 29 Charles II.
There is a fairly full abstract in Calendar of State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1675–76, no. 1132.

1679, Dec. 6. Royal commission for Thomas, Lord Culpeper, governor of Virginia. 32 Charles II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, v: 283–295. (ms.)

1679, Dec. 6. Royal instructions for Lord Culpeper. 32 Charles II.
1875. Calendar Va. State Papers, i: 14–16.

1679, Dec. 7. Additional instructions for Lord Culpeper. 32 Charles II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, v: 379–380. (ms.)

1683, Sept. 28 (4?). Royal commission to Francis, Lord Howard of Effingham to be governor of Virginia. 36 Charles II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, vi: 225–237. (ms.)

1683, Oct. 24. Instructions to Francis, Lord Howard of Effingham. 35 Charles II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, vi: 238–265. (ms.)
There are 79 clauses. Titles of the heads of some of them are given in Calendar of State Papers, 1681–85, no. 1325.

1683, Dec. 3. Additional instructions to Lord Howard of Effingham. 35 Charles II.
Calendar of State Papers. Amer. and W. Indies, 1681–85, no. 1428. (Abstract only, although the heads of clauses are given with some fullness.)

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1685, Aug. 30. Royal instructions to Lord Howard of Effingham. I James II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, vii: 176–196. (ms.)

1685, Oct. 8. Royal commission to Lord Howard of Effingham to be governor of Virginia. 1 James II.
Richmond. State Library. McDonald Transcripts, vii: 155–167. (ms.)

1689/90, Jan. 2. Royal instructions to Francis Nicholson as lieut. gov. of Virginia. 1 William and Mary.
London. Public Record Office. Colon. Entry Book, v. 83. p. 304–305. (ms.)

1692, Mar. 1. Commission to Sir Edmund Andros to be governor of Virginia, 4 William and Mary.
London. Public Record Office. Board of Trade. Va. 36. p. 107–118. (ms.)

1692, Mar. 1. Instructions to Sir Edmund Andros.
1901. Calendar State Papers, Amer. and W. Indies, 1689–1692, no. 2098.

1692, Oct. 7. Additional instructions to Andros. 4 William and Mary.
London. Public Record Office. Board of Trade. Va. 36. p. 157–217. (ms.)

1698, July 20. Royal commission to Francis Nicholson, governor of Virginia. 10 William and Mary.
Richmond. State Library. Sainsbury Transcripts, ii: 54–56. (ms.)

1698, Sept. 6. Royal instructions to Francis Nicholson. 10 William and Mary.
1897. Va. Mag. Hist. and Biogr., iv: 49–54.

1698, Sept. 13. Royal instructions for Col. Nicholson. 10 William and Mary.
Richmond. State Library. Sainsbury Papers, ii: 77–85. (ms.)

1699, May (?) Additional instructions to Governor Nicholson (martial law). 11 William and Mary.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., xx: 314–315. (ms.)

1702, Aug. 4. Royal commission to Colonel Francis Nicholson appointing him governor of Virginia. 1 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 31, p. 184–203. (ms.)

1702, Oct. 16. Royal instructions for governor Nicholson of Virginia. 1 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 31, p. 241–290. (ms.)

1705, Apr. 25. Royal commission to Colonel Edward Nott to be governor of Virginia. 4 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 33, p. 81–104. (ms.)

1705, Apr. 30. Royal instructions to Col. Edward Nott. 4 Anne.
As above, Virginia B. T., v. 33, p. 120–195. Copy in Amer. and W. Indies, no. 639. In the Virginia B. T. vol. there is a note calling attention to the similarity of the instructions to those of Nicholson, dated Oct. 16, 1702. (ms.)

1707, Apr. 22. Royal commission to Robert Hunter as Virginia's Governor. 6 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 34, p. 124–138. (ms.)

1707, Apr. 22. Royal instructions to Robert Hunter. 6 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 34, p. 141–193. (ms.)

1707, Apr. 22. Orders and instructions to Robert Hunter. 6 Anne.
As above, p. 193–215.

1707, Nov. 15. Royal instructions to Edward (Edmund?) Jennings to act as lieutenant governor until arrival of Governor Hunter. 6 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 34, p. 265–266. (ms.)

1708/9, Feb. 4. Additional instructions to Governor Robert Hunter (land grants). 7 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 34, p. 352–355. (ms.)

1708/9, Mar. 10. Additional instructions Lords of Trade to Edward (Edmund?) Jennings (land patents). 8 Anne.
London. Public Record Office. Virginia B. T., v. 34: 357. (ms.)

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1784/5, Oct. 18–Jan. 7. Richmond, Dunlap and Hayes, n. d. 1 l., 31 pp. F°.
1785/6, Oct. 17–Jan. 21. Richmond, Dunlap and Hayes, n. d. 1 l., 73 (1) pp. F°.
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1787/8, Oct. 15–Jan. 8. Richmond, 1828. 144 pp. F°.
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1788, Oct. 20–Dec. 30. Richmond, 1828. 131 pp. F°.
1789, Oct. 19–Dec. 19. Richmond, 1828. 141 pp. F°.

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1779, June 1–June, 1781. Thomas Jefferson.
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n. PROPRIETARY PROVINCE OF CAROLINA.[a]

1663–1729.

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  1878. Poore. Charters, etc., 1379–82.

1629, Oct. 30. Royal grant to Robert Heath. 5 Charles I.
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1663, Aug. 21. The Proprietors' declaration and proposals to all that will plant in Carolina.
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    Charter. xii pp.
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Manuscript.

London. Public Record Office. Shaftesbury Papers. sec. 8.

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Printed.

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1682, Aug. 17. Modified constitution. 125 articles.

Manuscript.

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1698, Apr. 11. Fundamental constitution, etc. 41 articles.

Manuscript.

London. Pub. Rec. Off. Colon. Entry Bk., no. 22.

Printed.

1886. Colon. Records N. C., ii: 852–858.

LORDS PROPRIETORS' RECORDS.

The following collation is taken from two sources, viz, the North Carolina Colonial Records and the Calendar of State Papers. In the former the entries, or such portions of them as are printed, are given verbatim. In the Calendar of State Papers the entries are abstracts, given, however, very often with considerable fullness.

It is believed that these records properly form a part of the provincial archives. Such a comparatively small portion of them is printed in the N. C. Colonial Records it is hoped that this compilation of the Proprietors' Records will be of some use to persons having occasion to make researches into the early history of the Carolinas.

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Abbreviations.

Lds. Ps. = Lords Proprietors.

C. S. P. A. and W. I. = Calendar of State Papers, Colonial ser., America and West Indies.

Col. Rec. N. C. = Colonial Records, North Carolina.

1663, May 23. Minutes of a mtg. of Lds. Ps. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 457.

1663, June 10. Sir John Colleton to Duke of Albemarle. ib., 476.

1663, June 10. Sir John Colleton to Duke of Albemarle. Col. Rec. N. C., 1 : 34–35.

1663, Aug. 21. Lds. Ps. to all that will plant in Carolina. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 536.

1663, Aug. 25. Lds. Ps. to all that will plant in Carolina. Col. Rec. N. C., 1 : 43–46.

1663, Aug. 30. Lds. Ps. to Col. Thos. Modyford. ib., 1 : 46–47.

1663, Aug. 30. Lds. Ps. to Col. Thos. Modyford and Peter Colleton. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 547.

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1663, Sept. 9. Lds. Ps. answer to proposals of several gentlemen of Barbadoes. ib., 560.

1664, Nov. 14. Lds. Ps. commission to Robt. Samford, sec'y for Clarendon Co. ib., 849.

1664, Nov. 14. Lds. Ps. commission to Robt. Samford, sec'y for Clarendon Co. Col. Rec. N. C., 1 : 71–72.

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1664, Nov. 24. Lds. Ps. commission to John Vassall, surveyor gen. for Clarendon Co. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 860.

1665, Jan. 7. Lds. Ps. to Mr. Drummond. ib., 908.

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1665, Jan. 7. Mem. of agreement between Lds. Ps. ib., 905.

1665, Jan. 7. Order of the Lds. Ps. to Sir Jno. Colleton. ib., 907.

1665. Lds. Ps. concessions and agreements with the adventurers of Barbadoes, etc. ib., 904, I.

1665, Jan. 11. Lds. Ps. commission to Sir Jno. Yeamans. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 911.

1665, Jan. 11. Lds. Ps. to Sir Jno. Yeamans. ib., 912.

1665, Jan. 11. Lds. Ps. to Sir Jno. Yeamans. Col. Rec. N. C., 1 : 93–94.

1665. Lds. Ps. commission to Sir Jno. Yeamans. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1661–68 : 913.

1665, Jan. 11. Lds. Ps. to the Barbadoes adventurers. ib., 914.

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1667, Oct. Lds. Ps. warrant to Gov. Stephens of Albemarle Co. (convey land). ib., 1621.

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1693, Feb. 6. Instruments Lds. Ps. conveying right of granting land to Gov. Ludwell. C. S. P. A. and W. I., 1693–96: 53.
1693, Feb. 6. Rules and instructions for granting land in Carolina. ib., 54.
1693, Apr. 7. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Ludwell. ib., 252.
1693, Apr. 7. Warrant of Lds. Ps. repealing act. ib., 253.
1693, Apr. 10. Same, disallowing act. ib., 256.
1693, Apr. 10. Same, authorizing Gov. Ludwell to commission certain judicial officers. ib., 257.
1693, Apr. 12. Letters patent of Lds. Ps. granting general amnesty and pardon. ib., 266.
1693, Apr. 12. Warrant Lds. Ps. appointing sheriff of Berkeley co. ib., 267.
1693, Apr. 12. Declaration Lds. Ps.; escheats. ib., 268.
1693, Apr. 12. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Ludwell. ib., 269.
1693, Apr. 12. Lds. Ps. to Deputies and Council of South Carolina. ib., 270.
1693, Apr. 12. Lds. Ps. to Paul Grimball. ib., 271.
1693, Apr. 12. Lds. Ps. to Mons. Trouillard. ib., 272.
1693, May 11. Proclamation Lds. Ps. disclaiming Sothel. ib., 343.
1693, May 11. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Ludwell. ib., 344.
1693, Nov. 29. Lds. Ps. warrant empowering Gov. Smith to appoint certain judicial officers. ib., 703.
1693, Nov. 29. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Smith and Council. ib., 704.
1693, Nov. 29. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Smith. ib., 705, 706.
1694, Apr. 24. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Smith. ib., 1028.
1694, Apr. 24. Same to Gov. and Council. ib., 1029.
1694, Apr. 26. Lds. Ps. to Philip Ludwell. ib., 1032.
1694, Apr. 27. Lds. Ps. to Gov. and Deputies of South Carolina. ib., 1034.
1694, May 19. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Smith. ib., 1055.
1694, Aug. 31. Proprietary commission to John Archdale to be his depy. gov. in North and South Carolina. ib., 1269.
1694, Aug. 31. Lds. Ps. commission to Gorges as atty. general of Carolina. ib., 1270.
1694, Aug. 31. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Smith. ib., 1271.
1694, Oct. 17. Lds. Ps. to James Colleton. ib., 1418.
1694, Oct. 17. Lds. Ps. warrant for survey of certain land. ib., 1420.
1694, Oct. 17. Same for gov's salary. ib., 1421.
1694, Nov. 24. Lds. Ps. patent to Archdale to be a landgrave. ib., 1545.
1694, Dec. 27. Lds. Ps. orders for grant of land. ib., 1622.
1695, Jan. 10. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Archdale. ib., 1644.
1695, Mar. 27. Same to same. ib., 1745.
1695, Apr. 12. Same to Secy. Paul Grimball. ib., 1773.
1695, June 28. Same to Col. Philip Ludwell. ib., 1923.
1695, June 28. Same to Gov. Archdale. ib., 1924.
1695, June 28. Same to Secy. Paul Grimball. ib., 1925.
1695, Aug. 23. Same to Gov. Archdale. ib., 2024.
1696, Jan. 29. Same to Gov. Archdale and Council and Deputies of South Carolina. ib., 2255.
1696, Jan. 29. Same to Gov. Archdale. ib., 2256.
1696, Apr. 23. Same to same. ib., 2340.
1696, June 17. Lds. Ps. to Gov. John Archdale. ib., 1696–97: 45.
1696, Sept. 10. Lds. Ps. to Dep. Gov. Thos. Harvey and the deputy and council of N. C. ib., 196.
1696, Sept. 10. Lds. Ps. to Gov. Archdale. ib., 197.
1697, Jan. 21. Lds. Ps. and others, petition to the King. ib., 606.
1697, Dec. 22. Lds. Ps. to Thos. Harvey, Deputy Gov. and council of N. C. Col. Rec. N. C., i: 478.
1699, Dec. 20. Lds. Ps. to Thos. Harvey and the deputies and Council of N. C. ib., i: 520.
1707/08, Jan. 16–Oct. 15, 1709. Abstracts of proprietors' minutes. (S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 176–199.)
1712/13, Jan. 31. Lds. Ps. to Hon. Francis Nicholson. Col. Rec. N. C. ii: 9–10.
1715, Mar. 26. Lds. Ps. to Chas. Eder, Esq., Gov. of N. C. ib., ii: 173–174.
1715, Mar. 26. Lds. Ps. to Chas. Eder, Esq., Gov. of N. C. ib., ii: 173–174.
1715, July 8. Lds. Ps. to Lords of Trade. ib., ii: 188–189.
1715, July 15. Lds. Ps. to Lords of Trade. ib., ii: 191–192.
1716, Aug. 1. Lds. Ps. to the Council and Assembly of N. C. ib., ii: 235–236.

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1716, Aug. 1. Lds. Ps. to the Colony. ib., ii: 236–238.
1716, Aug. 1. Lds. Ps. to the Gov. of N. C. ib., ii: 238–239.
1723, June 3. Lds. Ps. to the Council and Assembly of N. C. ib., ii: 489–490.
1723, June 3. Lds. Ps. to Edward Moseley, Esq. ib., ii: 491.
1728, June 3. Lds. Ps. to the Lords of the Committee of His Maj. Privy Council. ib., ii: 721–722.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1693. Thomas Smith, appointed by Palatine.
1694. John Archdale, proprietary governor.
1702. Sir Nathaniel Johnson, proprietary governor.
1708. Edward Tynte, proprietary governor.
1710. Charles Craven, proprietary governor.
1716. Robert Daniel, deputy governor.
1717. Robert Johnson, proprietary governor.
1719. James Moore, chosen by convention.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1693, Mar. 13. Palatine's commission to Governor Smith.
1875. Harper's Mag., lii: 17. (Facs. reduction.)

1693, Nov. 29. Proprietary instructions for Thomas Smith.
1859. Rivers. Sketch hist. S. C., p. 67.

1693, Nov. 30. Additional instructions for Thomas Smith.
1857. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 334. [Abstract only.]

1694, Aug. 31. Proprietary commission to John Archdale, governor of Carolina.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 389.

1694, Aug. 31. Proprietary instructions to John Archdale.
1903. Calendar of State Papers. A. and W. I., 1693 et seq., no. 1272. [Abstract only.]

1694, Oct. 17. Further instructions for John Archdale, governor of Carolina.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 391–392.

1702, June 18. Proprietary commission to Sir Nathaniel Johnson, governor of South and North Carolina.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 554–555.

1702, June 18. Proprietary instructions for Sir Nathaniel Johnson.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 555–557.

1708, Dec. 9. Proprietary commission to Edward Tynte, governor of North and South Carolina.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 694–696.

1708 (?) Proprietary instructions for Col. Tynte.
1857. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 154. [Abstract only.]

1708 (?) Additional instructions for Col. Tynte (merchant ships).
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 704–705.

1708/09, Mar. 24. Further additional instructions for Col. Tynte (general).
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 705–707.

1710/11, Mar. 14. Proprietary instructions for Charles Craven.
S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 160. [Abstract only.]

1711, June 6. Same.
ib., i: 60 [Abstract only.]

1717, Apr. 30. Proprietary instructions to Robert Johnson.
S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 165. [Abstract only.]

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ALBEMARLE COUNTY.

(See North Carolina, Proprietary Rule.)

ASHLEY RIVER SETTLEMENT.

(See South Carolina, Proprietary Rule.)

CLARENDON COUNTY.

1665-1667.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

No record found.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Section 4 of the Proprietors' Declaration of August 21, 1663, quoted above under Proprietary Province of Carolina, shows the proposed constitution of the provincial assemblies. The earliest recorded indication that this intention on the part of their lordships had been carried into effect, so far as they were concerned, is the letter from the Lords Proprietors to Robert Samford, dated November 14, 1664. Samford had been appointed secretary and chief register for Clarendon County. The passage referred to is as follows: "And for your doeing the same [recording instruments of land conveyance] . . . you shall receave such salleryes . . . as by us and our General Assembly of the said county shalbe [*sic*] appointed and none other." Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 72.) No record has been found that would show that a session of the General Assembly was held in Clarendon County either in 1663 or in 1664.

1666 (?) "The gent[lemen] chosen for an Assembly for the county of Clarendon in Carolina . . . did supplicate for a Redress . . . ." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 145.)

This supplication, signed by 14 names, is addressed to the Lieut. General and his council. The address was presented to Sir John Yeamans, lieut. general, for his signature, which he had promised, but which he afterwards refused, because of the "absurditie in owneing under his hands so perticuler a knowledge of the soile in this county *into which he was but newly come* . . . ." [Italicized words approximate date of petition.]

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1664/65, Jan. 11. Sir John Yeamans.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1664/65, Jan. 11. Proprietary commission to Sir John Yeamans, governor of Clarendon county.

1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 97–98.

1665. Proprietary instructions for Sir John Yeamans.

1856. Rivers. Hist. S. C., p. 338 et seq.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 95–97.

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o. NORTH CAROLINA.[a]

1663–1789.

ARRANGEMENT.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Archives of North Carolina under Proprietary Rule, 1663–1729.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (compilations; session laws).
  - Grand Assembly.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
  - Register.
  - Commissions and instructions.
  - Governor's Council journal.
- Judicial.
  - General court.
  - Precinct courts.
  - Chancery court.

Archives of North Carolina under Royal Government, 1729–1775.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (compilations; session laws).
  - Upper House journal.
  - Lower House journal.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.
  - Governor's Council journal.

Archives of North Carolina under Provincial Government, 1774–1776.
- Provincial Congress.
- Provincial Council.
- Council of Safety.
- Committees of Safety.

Archives of North Carolina under State Government, 1776 to 1789.
- Constitution.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (compilations; session laws).
  - Senate journal.
  - House of Commons journal.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
  - Governor's Council journal.
  - Board of war.

General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

North Carolina's contribution toward making American public archives available is her series of colonial and State records. A collation of these is given on page 509 of this compilation.

It has not been possible to ascertain, from printed sources, the total expenditure, on the part of the State, for this undertaking. The arrangement of the financial accounts, anterior to 1895, is such that they afford no information on this matter. The Colonial Records had all been published by 1890. From

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1895 to the year ended November 30, 1905, the total expenditure for contingent outlays on account of the State records has been $6,236.44. This sum includes copying, drawing of maps, etc. The total sum expended for indexing the volumes, Colonial and State, has been $1,575. The total sum expended so far for printing the State records has been $5,528.50. The whole amount, therefore, expended by the State, as ascertained from the printed financial accounts, from 1894–95 to 1904–5, for the publication of the State records has been $13,339.94.

The compiler of this publication can not refrain from calling attention here to an earlier issue of the press of North Carolina. The matter has a purely bibliographic interest, and may properly be criticised as being outside the domain of this compilation. The year 1751 is usually recorded as being the year in which the first printing was done in North Carolina. The first edition of Swann's revisal was printed in that year. We have a record, however (Weeks, Eighteenth Century Press, p. 13), that this revisal, issued in 1751, was in press in 1749. This would go to prove that Davis, the printer of the revisal, was in North Carolina in 1749, and that his press was in use. That a hitherto unnoted, and even now unknown, issue of Davis' press was produced in that year is proved by the wording of the acts of March–April, 1749, printed in volume 23 of the Colonial Records of North Carolina. The quotation below is from section 2, chapter 3, of the acts of 1749. It is the act granting a license to James Davis, to be State printer for the period of five years next ensuing. The quotation is given almost in extenso because of the evidence it bears of the existence, at one time, if not now, of a product of the North Carolina press of the date of 1749, and also of the exact number of copies made of each kind of publication required of the public printer.

The section referred to provides that "said James Davis . . . shall be required . . . *to print, with same Type or Letter with which his Petition now laid before this House, is printed on* (italics compiler's), at every Session of Assembly in this Province, the Speeches and Addresses at the Opening of each Session; also the Journals and Proceedings of the House of Burgesses; and deliver Copies thereto (*sic*) to each Member who shall attend at such session; and shall also, as soon as the same can or may be done, print all such Laws as shall be passed at each Sessions, and shall transmit One copy of them to His Excellency, the Governor, and one to each Member of His Majesty's Honourable Council, and also one Copy to each Member of the General Assembly in the several Counties in this Province; one copy to each of the clerks of the Houses of Assembly . . . ; one Copy to the Clerk of the General Court . . . ; one Copy to the Clerk of each respective County Court . . . ; and also one Copy for each and every Justice of the several Counties in this Province, not exceeding Twelve copies to be sent to the said Justices of any one County; and supply such Copies of the said Journals and Laws as shall or may be necessary, to be transmitted from this Province to the Board of Offices in England, as usual; and also, shall print and transmit to the Proper Places the Public Proclamations, and all other Acts of Government."

The story of succeeding acts reappointing Davis as public printer has been told by Mr. Stephen B. Weeks in his "Eighteenth Century Press in North Carolina," and it is not necessary to repeat it here.

The first of these acts, succeeding that of 1749, which recites in detail the number of copies of each kind of document to be printed is that of 1766, chapter 13, laws of November session 1766.

Printed and bound up with the laws of the session of November, 1787, is a document not without considerable bearing on this subject. It illustrates the carelessness with which, even at that date, the public records were regarded,

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and doubtless accounts for the lacunæ now existing in the files of the earlier records. This document is the Commons resolution of December 12, 1787, making it the duty of the Secretary of State to transmit attested copies of the original acts to the public printer. It would seem, from the wording of the resolution, to have been the practice heretofore to submit the original acts to the printer.

As having a bearing on the disappearance of some of the earlier records reference is here made to the account of the seizure of the records in the possession of President Miller at the time of the rebellion of 1677. The account is given on page 249, vol. 1, of the Colonial Records.

Again, in 1718, the records were forcibly seized from the government and illegally appropriated. See pages 321–22, vol. 2, of the Colonial Records.

COLLECTIONS.

[The Colonial and the State Records of North Carolina. 1662–1790.] v. p. 27 vols. 4°.

v. 1–10. The Colonial Records of North Carolina. Published under the supervision of the Trustees of the Public Libraries, by order of the General Assembly. 1662–1776. Collected and edited by William L. Saunders, secretary of state. Raleigh, 1886–1890. 10 vols. 4°.

v. 1. 1662–1713. Raleigh, P. M. Hale, printer to the state, 1886. xxxiv, 992 pp.

v. 2. 1713–1728. id., 1886. xix, 923 pp.

v. 3. 1728–1734. id., 1886. xviii, 643 pp.

v. 4. 1734–1752. id., 1886. xxii, 1348 pp.

v. 5. 1752–1759. Raleigh, J. Daniels, printer to the state, 1887. lxi, 1228 pp.

v. 6. 1759–1765. id., 1888. xxxv, 1322 pp.

v. 7. 1765–1768. id., 1890. xxxiv, 1009 pp.

v. 8. 1769–1771. id., 1890. xlviii, 796 pp.

v. 9. 1771–1775. id., 1890. xlvii, 1285 pp.

v. 10. 1775–1776. id., 1890. xii, 1041 pp.

v. 11–26. The State Records of North Carolina. Collected and edited by Walter Clark, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of N. C., 1776–1790. v. p. 16 vols. 4°.

v. 11. 1776–1777, and supplement 1730–1776. Winston, M. I. and J. C. Stewart, printers to the state, 1895. xx, 837 pp.

pp. 1–305. Colonial records supplement. Papers from 1730 to 1776 which have been obtained since the publication of the 10 vols. of Colonial Records.

pp. 307–837. State Records of N. C., 1776–1777.

v. 12. 1777–1778. id., 1895. v. 880 pp.

pp. 1–452, 549–880. State Records.

pp. 455–548. Jacob Turner's Book.

v. 13. 1778–1779. id., 1896. xiv, 1000 pp.

v. 14. 1779–1780. id., 1896. xxi, 876 pp.

v. 15. 1780–1781. Goldsboro, Nash Bros., 1898. xiv, 789 pp.

v. 16. 1782–1783. id., 1899. xii, 1204 pp.

v. 17. 1781–1785. id., 1899. x, 1061 pp.

v. 18. 1786, with supplement, 1779. id., 1900. ix, 825 pp.

v. 19. 1782–1785, with supplement, 1771–1782. id., 1901. vi, 1001 pp.

v. 20. 1785–1788. id., 1902. vii, 793 pp.

v. 21. 1788–1790. id., 1903. vi, 1083 pp.

v. 22. Miscellaneous. id., 1907. vii, 1049 pp.

v. 23. Laws, 1715–1776. id., 1904. (1), 1000 pp.

v. 24. Laws, 1777–1788. id., 1905. iv, 994 pp.

v. 25. Laws, 1789–1790 and suppl., 1669–1783. id., 1906. vi, 741 pp.

v. 26. Census, 1790. id., 1905. iv, 1313 pp.

v. 27. General index. Not yet issued.

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UNDER PROPRIETARY RULE.

1663–1729.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILATIONS.

1715. [Laws.]

1904. Colon. Records N. C., xxiii: 1–96.

Includes the six "Confirmed Laws," i. e., six acts passed prior to 1715 and not deemed obsolete in 1715. See also "Titles of (the 57) acts passed at Little River 1715/16, with Governor Burrington's remarks." (Colon. Records N. C., iii: 180–189.) The text of three of these acts is also printed in Colon. Records N. C., ii: 206–216.

SESSION LAWS.

Only those acts actually found have been set out here. It has not been thought worth while to again enumerate here each session collated below under Grand Assembly. The actual holding of many sessions of this period is still a matter of uncertainty. Of such of them of whose existence satisfactory evidence was found, a memorandum has been made to that effect on pages 511 et seq.

The enacting clause of the acts in 1669 was "Be it therefore enacted by the Pallatine and Lords Proprietors by and with the advice of this present Grand Assembly." In 1715 it was "Be it enacted by his Excellency the Palatine, and the rest of the true and absolute Lords Proprietors of the Province of Carolina, by and with the advice and consent of the members of this present General Assembly now met at . . . ."

1669/70. Acts of the Assembly of Albemarle ratified and confirmed by the Proprietors, Jan. 20. 9 acts.

1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 183–187.
1906. State Records N. C., xxv: 119–122.

[1673.] Albemarle. Acts of Pt. [Parliament, i. e., Assembly] sent [to England] inclosed in a letter of Nov. 10, 1673. 4 acts.

1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 218–224.
1906. State Records N. C., xxv: 137–138.

1711/12. Acts passed in North Carolina in 1711. Two acts; text in full. (Colon. Rec. N. C., i: 787–794; State Records N. C. xxv: 152–156.)

1714. Acts, etc. One act; text in full. (State Records N. C., xxv: 157–158.)

1720, Aug. sess. Acts, etc., ch. 1–6. (State Records N. C., xxv: 162–172.)

1720, Oct. sess. Acts, etc., ch. 1–8. (State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.)

1723, Nov. sess. Acts, etc., ch. 1–15. (State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.)

1727, Nov. sess. ch. 7. (State Records N. C., xxv: 210.)

1729, Nov. sess. ch. 2–5. (State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.)

Grand (i. e., General) Assembly.

An effort has been made in the following chronology to establish, by collating the authentic references to sessions of the General Assembly, some sort of legislative succession. There is no doubt that, by the process of combination, this succession can be more firmly and more fully established as more of the records are found and printed.

Section 5 of the charter of 1663 provided for the calling of assemblies by the Lords Proprietors. In the Proprietors' declaration, dated August 21, 1663, section 4, it is said: "We shall, as far as our charter permits us, empower the major part of the freeholders, or their deputies or assembly-men, to be by them chosen out of themselves, viz, two out of every tribe, division, or parish, in such manner as shall be agreed on, to make their own laws, by and with the advice and consent of the governor and council, . . . "

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1665.

That a general assembly was held between November 14, 1664, and June 2, 1665, is confirmed by the letter from Tho. Woodward to Sir John Colleton. (Colon. Rec., 1: 101.)

Woodward had received a proprietary commission as surveyor of Carolina, and his letter, dated Albemarle county, June 2, 1665, is an acknowledgment of the appointment. He requests Sir John "to entertain this truth as a maxim, Those that live upon a place are best able to judge of the place, therefore the petition of the *General Assembly that was here convened* will deserve your serious consideration." What the petition was, or where and for how long the assembly sat, though it should not be difficult to ascertain the former fact, or what other business it transacted, can not be learned from any records so far found.

1666, Dec. 11. "And whereas the sd. Wm Drummond Esqr. and the Assembly of Albemarle County aforesaid did make an Act prohibiting the sowing . . . [of] tobacco from the said first of February 1666, to ye first of February 1667." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 152.)

From further articles of agreement between the commissioners for Va. and Md. for the cessation of planting tobacco. Possibly this act of the Albemarle county Assembly was passed at the 1665 session referred to above.

1669. See Statutes. No other record was found of an Assembly held this year.

1672. Act 3 of the acts of 1673 repeals the "fifty-fourth Act made by the Assembly of Aprill the eighteenth 1672. . . . " (Colon. Records N. C., 1: 219.)

1673. See Statutes. No other record was found of an Assembly held this year.

1683–1689. Sothel administration.

The only evidence found that an assembly was held during this time is in a letter, dated May 12, 1691, from the Lords Proprietors to Sothel, in which their Lordships review the charges against Sothel. "That you did by yr power as Governor and proprietor seize upon severall mens estates . . . for wch misdemeanors . . . , the inhabitants of Albemarle Imprisoned you . . . but you Intreated them not to send you to England but that you would submit all to be determined by the next General Assembly who accordingly gave Judgement agt you. . . . " (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 369.)

1697. At a Palatines' Court, Dec. 9, 1696, "Ordered that writs be issued out to the several precincts of Albemarle co. for electing . . . burgesses to sit in the Grand Assembly to meet . . . the eighteenth of January next." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 472.)

1701, Nov. "In obedience to an act of assembly made November the 12th 1701 appointing a Vestry for this Precinct. . . . "

From vestry book of St. Paul's parish, Chowan precinct. (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 543.)

1702, Mar. "In obedience to a late act of Assembly made in March last impowering the Vestry of each precinct to provide a standard for weights and measures. . . . "

Entry dated June 30, 1702, in vestry book of St. Paul's parish, Chowan precinct. (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 558.)

The first part of the items next quoted may refer to either one of the above assemblies.

1703 (?) That a session of the General Assembly was held in the spring of this year is evidenced by the petition, quoted here, of Joseph Boone et al., inhabitants of Carolina, to the Lords.

"That in the spring of the year 1703 when a new General Assembly was to be chosen, which by the Constitution is to be chosen once in two years, the Election was managed with very great partiality and Injustice, and all sorts of people, even servants, negroes, Aliens, Jews and Common sailors were admitted to vote in Elections. . . . " "That in the said Assembly another Act was passed to incapacitate every Person from being a Member of any General Assembly, . . . unless. . . . " "That this Act was passed in an illegal manner by the Governors calling the Assembly to meet the 26th of April, when it then stood prorogued to the 10th May following. . . . " (N. C. Colon. Records, 1: 639.)

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1703, Nov. Under date of Oct. 21, 1703, Governor Henderson Walker writes to the Bishop of London asking his help to secure the proprietors' ratification of an act of Assembly for the building of churches. He refers to assemblies held and to be held as follows:

"We did, about this time two years, with a great deal of care and management, get an Assembly, and we passed an act for building of churches. . . ." "My lord, I humbly beg leave to inform you, that we have an Assembly to sit the 3d November next. . . ." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 572.)

1704, Mar. 1. "I landed in Virginia, 14th of January, 1704; . . . I arrived amongst the inhabitants [of N. C.] 24th ditto. . . . I remained very well satisfied with their country till their Assembly sat, which was on 1st March. . . ."

From account of Rev. Mr. Blair's mission to North Carolina. (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 600.)

1706, Jan. 21–? Trott in his Laws of British colonies in America rel. to church, etc., 1736, N. C. section, prints a fragment of an act with the caption "Part of an Act, Intituled, An Act for a Town in Little River. At an Assembly begun January the 21st, 1705–6.

1707. "An Act to encourage the settlement of this country."

Referred to in letter of Gov. of Md. of date of June 10, 1707, and also in his protest against the act dated Aug. 16, 1707. (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 664, 665.)

1708 (?) "In observance to a late act of Assembly entitled an act for electing Vestrys the said act being first read the Vestry made choice. . . ."

Entry dated May 5, 1708. From vestry book of St. Paul's parish Chowan precinct. (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 680.)

The fact of the act having to be "first read" would suggest the inference that it was of very recent date.

1708, Oct. For accounts of the Glover, as well as the Cary usurpation, assembly, see Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 696–699.

1710/11, Mar. "It was ordered that in pursuance of an act of Assembly dated March ye 12th 1710. . . ."

From record of a vestry held Feb. 6, 1712/13. (Colon. Rec. N. C., ii: 10.)

1711/12 (?) [Two acts and the address of the General Assembly.] (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 784–794.)

These acts and the address accompanying a letter dated July 25, 1711, from Col. Spotswood to the Board of Trade. "Mr. Hyde arrived here last summer (?) . . . everyone . . . joined in a petition to him to take the administration as President of the Council until his Commission for Governor should arrive: Accordingly he was sworne . . . and called an assembly" . . . "upon which the Assembly . . . proceeded to pass a Law . . . but of this your Lordships will better judge by the copys of the Laws and Address which are here inclosed. . . ." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 779.)

Cited as acts of 1711 in Col. Rec.

1711, Mar. "Wee in most humble manner pray leave to informe your Lorship that at a Generall Assembly holden for this Collony in March last. . . ." (Colon. Rec., N. C., 1: 806.)

Letter from Governor and Council to Lords Proprietors, undated, but context etc., indicates that it was written latter part of 1711.

1711 (?) "The great hopes we promise ourselves from this is the unanimous proceedings of this Assembly." (Colon. Rec. N. C., 1: 836–838.)

Extract is from an address of the President and council of N. C. to Gov. Spotswood of Va. It is undated as printed in the N. C. Colon. Records. It is signed by Edward Hyde, *pres.* Hyde was president of the council from 1710 to Jan. 24, 1712, when he was made governor. On page 836 of the Colon. Records, v. 1, are printed the proceedings of the Va. council of Feb. 20, 1712, on this address. This combination of facts would indicate a session either very late in 1711 or very early in 1712.

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1712 [Mar.–] May. "Act of Assbly Intitled an act Confirming Survey of Land already made, *passed in an Assbly holden in March last.*" (Italics compiler's.) (Colon. Rec., i: 865.)

Extr. from proc. of meeting of council of N. C. on July 31, 1712. Council of N. C. sitting May 10, 1712, dissolves "present assembly." (Colon. Rec., i: 843.)

1712 [Oct.–Dec.]. "As you will see by the address of thanks of our Assembly wch i hope ye have Recd by Charleton, before now, being disappointed of it a long time by the mismanadgement of some Persons whom the Assembly trusted." (Colon. Rec. N. C., i: 895.)

Thomas Pollock, president of the council and acting gov., to Gov. Spotswood of Va., Dec. 28, 1712. Pollock succeeded Edward Hyde as governor in Sept. 1712. For nature of this address see Spotswood to Lords of Trade Feb. 11, 1712/13. (Colon. Rec., ii: 13.)

On p. 888 Colon. Rec., v. 1, is printed a representation from the governor, council and burgesses of N. C. to Gov. Spotswood. It is undated. In a letter of Feb. 11, 1713, from Gov. Spotswood to the Lords Proprietors he refers to this representation as having been received early in the past November. To reach him at that time it must have been written in October, and as it is from the burgesses and the council there must have been a General Assembly in session. See also Council proceedings of Jan. 12, 1713 (Colon. Rec., ii: 3), for the apprehension of Coll. Edward Moseley for having failed to deliver an address which he was "Instructed by the Assbly of this Province to send . . . from ye said Assembly to ye Govr of Virga."

1713 [Mar.–June]. "At the breaking up of the Assembly, shall give your Honor an account of what conclusions we come to with Tom Blount." Gov. Pollock to Gov. Spotswood Apr. 30, 1713. (Colon. Rec., ii: 40.)

"An Assembly having adjusted what public claims were put in, and enacted . . . were adjourned until August next." Same to same, June 8, 1713. (ib., 50.)

"Our assembly being to meet in November next, . . ." Same to same, Sept. 1, 1713. (ib., 62.)

1713, Nov. "It having been represented to Us that an Act of Assembly was pass'd in Our Province of North Carolina in Novr, 1713. . . ." (Colon. Rec. ii: 173.)

Lords Proprietors to Gov. Eden.

1714 [Mar. —?] "ffor as much as it has been represented to this Board by the Commons Assembled. . . ." (Colon. Rec., ii: 124.)

Extr. N. C. Council proc., Apr. 7, 1714.

1714 [Aug. ?–Sept. ?] Mr. Armstone missionary to the [Home] Secretary [of his society], dated Sept. 22, 1714. (Colon. Rec., ii: 143.)

"Since my last [dated Aug. 7, 1714] my hopes are blasted. We were then going to have an Assembly from whom thro' the governor's assistance I expected . . . but after near a fortnight's time spent to no purpose he was forced to send them home. . . ."

1714, Nov.

That there was a session of the General Assembly held at this time is confirmed by ch. 66, laws of 1715. (Colon. Records N. C., xxiii: 94.)

1715, Jan. "We take leave to inform you that by an act of the last Assembly made Jany. 1715. . . ." (Colon. Rec., ii: 291.)

Vestry of Pasquotank precinct to the secretary, dated Aug. 10, 1717.

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1715 [Nov. 13–?] [a] On Sept. 13, 1715, the council records show the following. (Colon. Rec., ii: 200.)

"Ordered that a proclamacon be Issued out for ye Assemblys meeting at Captn Richard Sanderson in Little River instead of the church in Chowan which was the place of ye last meeting."

"Our Governor Mr. Eden having sent the Laws of our Province of North Carolina, as they were revised and settled by you at the last meeting of your Bienniall Assembly which began on the 13th Nov. 1715. . . ." Lords Proprietors to Council and Assembly of N. C. Aug. 1716. (Colon. Rec., ii: 235.)

"The Honble the Governor haveing Laid before this Board some papers said to be a Coppy of the Journal of the Lower House assembly Dated in November, 1715. . . ."

Council jol. Aug. 4, 14, 1716. (Colon. Rec. ii: 243.)

1716. No session seems to have been held. Cf. Martin, also above, entry of Jan. 1715, in which a letter dated Aug. 1717, refers to the Jan. 1715 Assembly as the last Assembly.

1718 (?) Records of N. C. Council, July 31, 1718, show the following:

"Whereas the present Assembly stands adjourned till the first day in August next it is Ordered by this Board that they be further adjourned till the second day of November next ensuing and that a proclamation Isue (*sic*) accordingly. . . ." (Colon. Rec., ii: 307.)

1719, Mar. Records of N. C. Council, Nov. 11, 1718, show the following:

"Ordered that Writs are Issued for calling an Assembly to Seat ye Court House in Queen Anns Creek the first Tuesday in March next." (Colon. Rec., ii: 316.)

1720, Aug. Gen. bienn. assem. Ct. House, Chowan district. Not found.

1722, Oct. Gen bienn. assem. Ct. House, Edenton district. Not found.

1723, Nov. Gen. bienn. assem. Edenton. Not found.

1725, Nov. 1–2. Gen. bienn. assem. Edenton. Colon. Rec. N. C., ii: 575–577.

1726, Apr. 5–13. Gen. bienn. assem. Edenton. ib., ii: 608–622.

1727, Nov. 6–7. Gen. bienn. assem. Edenton. Not found.

1729, Nov. 29. From the Lower House journal of Apr. 13, 1731, is taken the following:

"We imagine the same is already sufficiently provided for by the Act passed in the Biennial Assembly in November, 1729." (Colon. Rec. iii: 261.) For further reference to these laws see Gov. Burrington to Lords of Trade. (ib., iii: 331.)

The act of surrender, 2 Geo. II, ch. 34, 1729, is printed in Rev. statutes N. C., 1837, ii: 466–479.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1663, Sept. Sir William Drummond, governor.
1667, Oct. Samuel Stephens, governor.
1674, ? Sir George Carteret, president of council.
1677. Sir Thomas Eastchurch, governor.
1677, July. Thomas Miller.
1677, Dec. John Culpepper.
1680. John Harvey, president of council.
1680, June. John Jenkins, governor.
1681, Feb. Henry Wilkinson, governor.
1683. Seth Sothel.
1689. Phillip Ludwell, governor.
1693. Alexander Lillington, depy. governor.

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[a] Rev. Statutes N. C. (Iredell), 1837, i: vii, gives dates as Nov. 17, 1715–Jan. 19, 1716. Trott. Laws Brit. Col. rel. to Church, etc., 1736, prints text of an act dated At a General Biennial Assembly held at Little River begun Nov. the 7th, 1715.

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1695. Thomas Harvey, depy. governor.
1699. Henderson Walker, depy. governor.
1704. Robert Daniel, depy. governor.
1705. Thomas Carey, depy. governor.
1709, May. William Glover, depy. governor.
1710, Aug. Edward Hyde, depy. governor.
1712, Jan. 24. Edward Hyde, governor.
1712, Sept. 12. Thomas Pollock, president of council.
1713, Sept. 13[a]. Charles Eden, governor.
1722, Mar. 30. Thomas Pollock, president of council.
1722, Sept. 7. William Reed, president of council.
1724, Jan. 15. George Burrington, governor.
1725, July 17. Richard Everhard, to 1729.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1663, Sept. (?) Proprietary commission to Sir William Berkeley of Virginia to appoint a governor for Albemarle.
1880. Calendar of State Papers. Colonial. A. and W. I., 1661–68, no. 555. (Abstract only.)

1663, Sept. (?) Proprietary instructions to Sir William Berkeley.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 50–52.

1667, Oct. Proprietary commission to Samuel Stephens, governor of Albemarle co.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 162–164.

1667, Oct. Proprietary instructions to Samuel Stephens.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 165–175.

1670. [Further] Instructions to the governor [Samuel Stephens] and the council of Albemarle county.
Providing against failure of Fundamental Constitutions by reason of want of landgraves, cassiques, etc.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 181–183.

1676, Nov. 21. Proprietary commission to Thomas Eastchurch, governor of Albemarle county.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 232.

1676, Nov. 21. Proprietary instructions for Thomas Eastchurch.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 230–232.

1679, Feb. 5. Proprietary instructions to John Harvey, president of council of Albemarle County.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 235.

1681 [Feb. 28.] Proprietary instructions to Henry Wilkinson, governor, and the council of Albemarle co.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 333.

1689, Dec. 5. Proprietary commission to Philip Ludwell, governor of Carolina, north and east of Cape Fear.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 360.

1689, Dec. 5. Proprietary instructions to Philip Ludwell
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 362.

1691, Nov. 8. Palatine's commission to Philip Ludwell.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 373.

1691, Nov. 8. Proprietary instructions for Philip Ludwell.
1856. Rivers. Hist. S. C., p. 59 et seq.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 373–380.

1691, Nov. 8. Additional instructions to same (delegates from Albemarle co.)
1886. Colon. Records N. C., 1: 380–381.

1691, Nov. 8. Private instructions to same.
1886. Colon. Records N. C.

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[a] May 28, 1713, in Iredell.

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17 11/12, Jan. 24. Proprietary commission to Edward Hyde.
Text not found; see Colon. Records N. C., i: 841.

17 11/12, Jan. 24. Proprietary instructions for Edward Hyde, governor of North Caroina.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., i: 844–846.

COUNCIL.

Journal.

1705, Dec. 3. Colon. Rec. N. C., i: 629.
1712, May 9–Sept. 12. ib., i: 841–869.
1712/13, Jan. 9–Nov. 5. ib., ii: 1–69.
1713/14, Jan. 23–Dec. 17. ib., ii: 117–147.
1714/15, Feb. 11–Nov. 23. ib., ii: 168–204.
1715/16, Jan. 21–Nov. 15. ib., ii: 216–249.
1717, Mar. 28–22. ib., ii: 275–296.
1718, Mar. 29–Dec. 30. ib., ii: 301–321.
1719, Apr., May, Nov. ib., ii: 328, 341, 351.
1719/20, Feb. 22–Dec. 3. ib., ii: 374–396.
1721, Mar. 30, Oct. 18. ib., ii: 425, 432.
1722, Mar. 30–Oct. 29. ib., ii: 449–462.
1723, Mar. 28–Nov. 21. ib., ii: 482–503.
1723/4, Jan. 15–Nov. 7. ib., ii: 515–541.
1725, Apr. 3–Oct. 31. ib., ii: 562–573.
1726, Jan. 19–Nov. 1. ib., ii: 603–645.
1727, Apr. 3–Nov. 8. ib., ii: 673–679.
1727/8, Feb. 21–Nov. 3. ib., ii: 724–817.

Judicial.

"Under the proprietary government the judicial authority seems to have been divided among precinct courts, the general court, and the court of chancery." (Rev. Statutes N. C. (Iredell), 1837, ii: 527.)

GENERAL COURT.

Records.

1693, May. Colon. Records N. C., i: 386–389.
1694, Feb., Aug., Sept., Nov. ib., i: 392–435.
1695, Feb. ib., i: 442–454.
1697, Jan. ib., i: 478–485.
1702, Oct. ib., i: 566–568.
1703, Mar., July, Oct. ib., i: 583–596.
1713, Mar., July. ib., ii: 80–116.
1714, Mar. ib., ii: 148–150.
1716, Aug., Nov. ib., ii: 261–269.
1717, Mar. ib., ii: 274–275.
1719, July, Oct. ib., ii: 357–371.
1722, Apr., Aug. ib., ii: 463–480.
1723, Mar., July, Oct. ib., ii: 507–515.
1724, Mar., July, Nov. ib., ii: 542–558.
1725, Mar., July, Oct. ib., ii: 585–603.
1726, Mar., July, Aug., Oct. ib., ii: 645–672.
1727, Mar., July, Oct. ib., 11: 686–720.
1728, Mar., July, Oct. ib., ii: 818–834.
1729, Mar. ib., iii: 52–61.
1732, Oct., Nov. ib., iii: 385–391.

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PRECINCT COURTS.

PERQUIMANS.

Records.

1697, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. Colon. Rec. N. C., i: 478–488.
1698, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 488–490, 493–496.
1699, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 520–526.
1700, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 531–535.
1701, Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 548–551.
1702, Jan., Apr., July, Nov. ib., i: 561–566.
1703, Jan., Feb., Mar., July, Oct. ib., i: 573–582.
1704, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 604–613
1705, Jan., Apr., July, Oct. ib., i: 617–627.
1706, Jan., July. ib., i: 649.

CHANCERY COURT.

Records.

1694, Nov. Colon. Rec. N. C., i: 435–438.
1695, Feb. ib., i: 454.

ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

1729–1775.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILATIONS.

1751. Collection of all public acts in force. Newbern, Davis, 1751. (2), xii, (1), 353, 8 pp. 4°.
Swann's revisal.

1752. Collection of all public acts of Assembly. . . . Newbern, Davis, 1752. (2), xii, (1), 371 (1) pp. F°.
Ed. 2 of Swann's revisal. Known as "Yellow Jacket."

1764. Collection of all acts . . . in force . . . since revisal of laws of 1751. . . . Newbern, Davis, 1764. (2), 307 (4). 4°.
Referred to as "Davis' First Revisal."

1765. Collection of all acts of Assembly. Newbern, Davis, 1765. 2 vols. in 1. 4°.

1773. Complete revisal of all acts of Assembly in force. Newbern, Davis, 1773. (4), x, 566 (9) pp. F°.

SESSION LAWS.

The enacting clause of laws under the royal government was "Be it enacted, by his Excellency . . ., governor, by and with the advice and consent of His Majesty's Council, and General Assembly of this Province . . . "

1731, Apr. Not found. Acts passed?
1733, July. Not found. Acts passed?
1733, Nov. Not found. Acts passed?
1734, Nov. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
1735, Jan. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxv: 215–219.
1736, Sept. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxv: 220–228.

1738, Mar. Acts etc., ch. 1, 3, 11. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1739, Feb. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1739, Nov. Not found. Acts passed?

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1. 1740, Feb. Not found.
2. 1740, July. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1741, Apr. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii: 158–206.

1. 1743, Mar. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1743, July. Not found.
3. 1743, Nov. Not found.[a]
4. 1743/44, Feb. Not found.

1. 1744, Nov. Not found.
2. 1745, Apr. Acts, etc. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1746, June. Acts, etc., ch. 1–3. State Records N. C., xxiii: 244–250.
2. 1746, Nov. Acts, etc., ch. 1–2. ib., xxiii: 251–267.

1. 1746/47, Feb. 25–Mar. 7. Acts, etc., ch. 1–2. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1747, Oct. 2–10. Not found.
3. 1748, Mar. 18–Apr. 6. Acts, etc. State Record N. C., xxiii: 273–296.
4. 1748, Sept. 29–Oct. 15. Acts, etc. ib., xxiii: 297–309.
5. (?)
6. 1749, Mar. 28–Apr. 14. Acts, etc. ib., xxiii: 310–316.
7. 1749, Sept. 26–Oct. 18. Acts, etc. ib., xxiii: 317–341.
8. 1750, Mar. 28–Apr. 7. Acts, etc, ch. 1–7. ib., xxiii and xxv.
9. 1750, July 5–10. Acts, etc. ib., xxiii: 349–351.
10. 1751, Sept. 26–Oct. 12. Acts, etc., ch. 1–16. ib., xxiii and xxv.
11. 1752, Mar. 31–Apr. 15. Acts, etc. ib., xxiii: 371–386.
12. 1753, Mar. 28–Apr. 12. Acts, etc., ch. 1–8. ib., xxiii and xxv.
13. 1753/54, Feb. 19–Mar. 9. Acts, etc., ch. 1–13. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1754/55, Dec. 12–Jan. 15. Acts, etc., ch. 1–16. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1755, Sept. 25–Oct. 15. Acts, etc., ch. 1–14. ib., xxiii and xxv.
3. 1756, Sept. 30–Oct. 26. Acts, etc., ch. 1–24. ib., xxiii and xxv.
4. 1757, May 16–28. Acts, etc., ch. 1–5. ib., xxiii and xxv.
5. 1757, Nov. 21–Dec. 14. Acts, etc., ch. 1–13. ib., xxiii and xxv.
6. 1758, Apr. 28–May 4. Acts, etc., ch. 1–6. ib., xxiii and xxv.
7. 1758, Nov. 23–Dec. 23. Acts, etc., ch. 1–20. ib., xxiii and xxv.
8. 1759, May 8–18. Acts, etc., ch. 1–2. ib., xxiii and xxv.
9. 1759/60, Nov. 23–Jan. 9. Acts, etc., ch. 1–14. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1760, Apr. 24–May 23. Acts, etc., ch. 1–8. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1760, May 26–27. Acts, etc., ch. 1–2. ib., xxiii and xxv.
3. 1760, June 30–July 14. Acts, etc., ch. 1–2. ib., xxiii: 516–522.
4. 1760, Nov. 5–Dec. 6. Acts, etc., ch. 1–13. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1761, Mar. Acts, etc., ch. 1–15. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1762, Apr. Not found. Acts passed?

1. 1762, Nov. Acts, etc., ch. 1–28. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1764, Jan. 30–Mar. 10. Acts, etc., ch. 1–20. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

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[a] Neither Upper House nor Lower House journals nor laws were found for this session. That there was a session is confirmed by a statement in the proceedings of the Council of Nov. 18, 1743, viz: "His Excellency having commanded the attendance of the lower house of Assembly was pleased to prorogue the Assembly to the third Tuesday of February next. . . ."

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2. 1764, Oct. 25–Nov. 28. Acts, etc., ch. 1–17. ib., xxiii and xxv.
3. 1765, May 3–18. Acts, etc., ch. 1–4. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1766, Nov. 3–Dec. 2. Acts, etc., ch. 1–29. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.
2. 1767, Dec. 5–1768, Jan. 16. Acts, etc., ch. 1–27. ib., xxiii and xxv.
3. 1768, Nov. 7–Dec. 5. Acts, etc., ch. 1–21. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1769, Oct. 23–Nov. 6. Acts, etc., ch. 1–4. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1770, Dec. 5–1771, Jan. 26. Acts, etc., ch. 1–44. State Records N. C., xxiii and xxv.

2. 1771, Nov. 19–Dec. 23. Acts, etc., ch. 1–23. ib., xxiii and xxv.

1. 1773, Jan. 25–Mar. 6. Acts, etc., ch. 1–34. State Records N. C., xxiii: 872–930.

1. 1773, Dec. Not found. Acts passed?
2. 1774, Mar. Acts, etc., ch. 1–32. State Records N. C., xxiii: 931–976.

1. 1775, Apr. Not found. Acts passed?

UPPER HOUSE.

Journal.

The collation of sessions as given below is based on the Jameson list in Amer. Hist. Assn. Rept., 1897: 437, et seq. The dates of the sessions of the Upper House, as determined by the journals which have been found, may, or may not represent the full session of that body. In the absence of any means of accurately verifying the exact term of session of the Upper House, those dates only for which journals were found have been given below. Sessions for which no Upper House journals whatever have been found are dated according to Jameson. New style chronology has been used.

1731, Apr. 13–May 17. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 257–283.
Prorogued to Sept. 6, 1731.

1733, July 3–18. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 540–559.
Dissolved.

1733, Nov. 5–8. No session of Upper House held; see Colon. Records N. C., iii: 613 et seq.
1734, Nov. 6–13. Edenton. Not found.

1735, Jan. 15–Mar. 1. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 75–105.
Prorogued to July 1, 1735.

1736, Sept. 21–Oct. 12. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 225–241.
Prorogued to March 1, 1736.

1738, Mar. Newbern. Not found.

1. 1739, Feb. 6–Mar. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 355–378.
2. 1739, Nov.–? Newbern. Not found.

1. 1740, Feb. 7–27. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 470–491.
2. 1740, Aug. 2–22. Edenton. ib., iv: 534–550.

1. 1741, Apr. Edenton. Not found.

1. 1743, Mar. 15–Apr. 2. Edenton. Not found.
2. 1743, July 22–27. Edenton. Not found.
3. 1743, Nov. ? Not found; see note under laws page 518.
4. 1744, Feb. 23–Mar. 8. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 714–718.
Mar. 6–8 only found.

1. 1744, Nov. 15–Dec. 4. Newbern. Not found.
2. 1745, Apr. 8–20. Newbern. Not found.

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1. 1746, June 12–28. Newbern. Not found.
2. 1746, Nov. 20–Dec. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 834–838.

1. 1747, Feb. 25–Mar. 7. Newbern. Not found.
2. 1747, Oct. 2–10. Newbern. Not found.
3. 1748, Mar. 18–Apr. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 899–915.
4. 1748, Sept. 29–Oct. 15. Newbern. Not found.
5. (?)
6. 1749, Mar. 30–Apr. 14. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 972–983.
7. 1749, Sept. 26–Oct. 18. Newbern. ib., iv: 1000–1008.

Oct. 2–18 only found.

[8] 1750, Mar. 28–Apr. 7. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 1052–1063.
[9] 1750, July 5–9. Newbern. ib., iv: 1064–1066.
[10] 1751, Sept. 26–Oct. 12. Newbern. ib., iv: 1256–1272.
11. 1752, Mar. 31–Apr. 15. Bath Town. ib., iv: 1317–1328.
[12] 1753, Mar. 29–Apr. 12. Newbern. ib., v: 38–52.
13. 1754, Feb. 20–Mar. 9. Wilmington. ib., v: 177–189.

1. 1754/5, Dec. 14–Jan. 15. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., v: 213–231.
2. 1755, Sept. 25–Oct. 14. Newbern. ib., v: 495–515.
3. 1756, Sept. 30–Oct. 25. Newbern. ib., v: 658–685.
4. 1757, May 16–28. Newbern. ib., v: 830–841.
5. 1757, Nov. 21–Dec. 14. Newbern. ib., v: 869–887.
6. 1758, Apr. 28–May 4. Newbern. Not found.
7. 1758, Nov. 23–Dec. 23. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., v: 1013–1037.
8. 1759, May 8–18. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 85–93.
9. 1759/60, Nov. 23–Jan. 9. Newbern. ib., vi: 115–181.

1. 1760, Apr. 24–May 23. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 345–361.
2. 1760, May 26–27. Newbern. ib., vi: 420–422.
3. 1760, June 30–July 14. Newbern. ib., vi: 439–444.
4. 1760, Nov. 5–Dec. 3. Newbern. ib., vi: 446–466; 512.

1. 1761, Mar. 31–Apr. 22. Wilmington. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 638–657.

1. 1762, Apr. 13–29. Wilmington. Not found.

1. 1762, Nov. 3–Dec. 11. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 838–886.

1. 1764, Feb. 3–Mar. 10. Wilmington. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 1089–1145.
2. 1764, Oct. 25–Nov. 28. Wilmington. ib., vi: 1218–1254.
3. 1765, May 3–18. Wilmington. ib., vii: 41–59.

1. 1766, Nov. 3–Dec. 2. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vii: 292–340.
2. 1767/68, Dec. 5–Jan. 15. Newbern. ib., vii: 549–621.
3. 1768, Nov. 8–Dec. 5. Newbern. ib., vii: 890–922.

1. 1769, Oct. 23–Nov. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 86–101.

1. 1770/1, Dec. 5–Jan. 26. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 282–381.
2. 1771, Nov. 19–Dec. 23. Newbern. ib., ix: 101–133.

1. 1773, Jan. 25–Mar. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 376–441.

1. 1773, Dec. 4–21. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 706–727.
2. 1774, Mar. 2–25. Newbern. ib., ix: 831–873.

1. 1775, Apr. 4–8. Not found.

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LOWER HOUSE.

Journal.

1731, Apr. 13.–May 17. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 285–322.
Prorogued to Sept. 6.

1733, July 3–18. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 561–604.
Dissolved.

1733, Nov. 5–8. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 612–613.
Not a sufficient number of the council reported to convene an Upper House, and, in consequence, no general assembly was held. The Lower House sat for three days.

1734, Nov. 6–13. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 634–642.
Upon the proclamation of the commission of Gov. Johnston the Lower House voted "to proceed no further in business."

1735, Jan. 15–Mar. 1. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 115–153.
Prorogued to July 1.

1736, Sept. 21–Oct. 12. Edenton. Not found.

1738, Mar. Newbern. Not found.

1. 1739, Feb. 6–Mar. 8. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 382–412.
2. 1739, Nov. 15–? Newbern. ib., iv: 414.

1. 1740, Feb. 5–27. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 492–532.
2. 1740, July 31–Aug. 22. Edenton. ib., iv: 552–574.

1. 1741, Apr. ? Edenton.
2. 1741 (?) Wilmington. } Not found.

1. 1743, Mar. 15–Apr. 2. Edenton. Not found.
2. 1743, July 22–27. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 651–655.
3. 1743, Nov. ? Not found; see note under laws page 518.
4. 1744, Feb. 23–Mar. 8. Edenton. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 719–731.

1. 1744, Nov. 15–Dec. 4. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 732–750.
2. 1745, Apr. 8–20. Newbern. ib., iv: 770–789.

1. 1746, June 12–28. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 814–833.
2. 1746, Nov. 21–Dec. 5. Newbern. ib., iv: 838–843.

1. 1747, Feb. 25–Mar. 7. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 855–862.
2. 1747, Oct. 2–10. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 863–867.
3. 1748, Mar. 18–Apr. 6. Newbern. Not found.
4. 1748, Sept. 29–Oct. 15. Newbern. Not found.
5. (?)
6. 1749, Mar. 28–Apr. 14. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., iv: 984–998.
7. 1749, Sept. 26–Oct. 18. Newbern. ib., iv: 1010–1020.
8. 1750, [Mar. 28–Apr. 7[a]]. Newbern. Not found.
[9] 1750, July 5–10. Newbern. ib., iv: 1068–1071.
[10] 1751, Sept. 26–Oct. 12. Newbern. ib., iv: 1274–1298.
11. 1752, Mar. 31–Apr. 15. Bath Town. ib., iv: 1329–1348.
[12] 1753, Mar. 28–Apr. 12. Newbern. ib., v: 53–75.
13. 1754, Feb. 19–Mar. 9. Wilmington. ib., v: 192–208.

1. 1754/55, Dec. 12–Jan. 15. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., v: 231–312.
2. 1755, Sept. 25–Oct. 15. Newbern. ib., v: 521–556.
3. 1756, Sept. 30–Oct. 26. Newbern. ib., v: 688–738.

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[a] Dates of Lower House session.

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4. 1757, May 16–28. Newbern. ib., v: 843–865.
5. 1757, Nov. 21–Dec. 14. Newbern. ib., v: 889–922.
6. 1758, Apr. 28–May 4. Newbern. ib., v: 998–1012.
7. 1758, Nov. 23–Dec. 23. Newbern. ib., v: 1039–1097.
8. 1759, May 8–18. Newbern. ib., vi: 95–114.
9. 1759/60, Nov. 23–Jan. 9. Newbern. ib., vi: 132–171; 184–200.

1. 1760, Apr. 24–May 23. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 362–420.
2. 1760, May 26–27. Newbern. ib., vi: 427–438.
3. 1760, June 30–July 14. Newbern. Not found.
4. 1760, Nov. 7–Dec. 3. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 470–520.

1. 1761, Mar. 31–Apr. 23. Wilmington. Colon Records N. C., vi: 661–694.

1. 1762, Apr. 13–29. Wilmington. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 800–837.

1. 1762, Nov. 3–Dec. 11. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 893–905.

1. 1764, Feb. 3–Mar. 10. Wilmington. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 1150–1218.
2. 1764, Oct. 25–Nov. 28. Wilmington. ib., vi: 1257–1318.
   Nov. 28 not found.
3. 1765, May 13–18. Newbern. ib., vii: 61–88.

1. 1766, Nov. 3–Dec. 2. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., vii: 342–423.
2. 1767/8, Dec. 5–Jan. 16. Newbern. ib., vii: 565–594, 624–670.
3. 1768, Nov. 7–Dec. 5. Newbern. ib., vii: 924–986.

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1. 1770/1, Dec. 5–Jan. 26. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 302–346; 385–479.
2. 1771, Nov. 19–Dec. 23. Newbern. ib., ix: 136–225.

1. 1773, Jan. 25–Mar. 6. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 447–587.

1. 1773, Dec. 4–21. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 733–788.
2. 1774, Mar. 2–25. Newbern. ib., ix: 874–953.

1. 1775, Apr. 4–8. Newbern. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1187–1205.

1. 1775, Apr. 4–8. Newbern. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, v. 1: 255–66.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1731, Feb. 25. George Burrington, governor.
1734, Nov. 13. Gabriel Johnston, governor.
1752, July 17. Nathaniel Rice, acting gov.
1753, Jan. 23. Matthew Rowan, acting gov.
1754, Nov. 1. Arthur Dobbs, governor.
1765, Mar. 28. William Tryon, lieut. gov.
1765, July 19. William Tryon, governor.
1771, July 1. James Hassell, acting gov.
1771, Aug. 12. Josiah Martin, governor.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1729/30, Jan. 15. Royal commission to George Burrington, governor of North Carolina. 2 George ii.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 66–73.

1730, Dec. 14. Royal instructions to George Burrington. 2 George ii.
1886. Colon. Records N. C., iii: 90–118.

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1733, July 18. Royal instructions to Gabriel Johnston, governor of North Carolina. 7 George ii.

"These instructions are identical with the instructions to Governor Burrington . . . except the 41st article and the alteration of three Councillors' names." (Colon. Records N. C., iii: 498.)

1754. Royal instructions to Arthur Dobbs, governor of North Carolina. George ii.

1887. Colon. Records N. C., v: 1107.

1754. Additional instruction to Arthur Dobbs (town and county charters).

1887. Colon. Records N. C., v: 405–407.

1759. Instruction to Arthur Dobbs (currency).

1888. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 43.

1761. Royal commission to Arthur Dobbs. George iii.

1888. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 524–532.

1761, Dec. 9. Additional instruction to Arthur Dobbs (legislative regulation of judicial tenure). George iii.

1888. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 591–592.

1764, Apr. 26. Royal commission to William Tryon, lieut. gov. of North Carolina. 4 George iii.

1888. Colon. Records N. C., vi: 1043–1044.

1765 [Dec. 24.] Royal instructions to William Tryon.

1890. Colon. Records N. C., vii: 137–142. Sec. 45, 50, 71, 77, 78, 109, 111 only. Aside from these sections Tryon's instructions were identical with those given to Dobbs, save that sections 13, 41, 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 66, 84, 85, and 118 of Dobbs' instructions are omitted from those given to Tryon.

1767, July 13. Additional instructions to Tryon (provision for orthodox clergy).

1890. Colon. Records N. C., vii: 507.

1771, Feb. 6. Royal commission and instructions to Josiah Martin, gov. of North Carolina. 11 George iii.

1890. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 513–515.

1771, (?) Additional instruction to Josiah Martin (tumults and riotous assemblies).

1890. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 515–516.

1771, May 29. Additional instructions to Josiah Martin (royal order for running the South Carolina boundary line).

1890. Colon. Records N. C., viii: 611–612.

1771, June 10. Additional instruction to Josiah Martin (S. C. boundary).

1895. Colon. Records N. C., xi: 234.

1772, n. d. Additional instruction to Josiah Martin (postal service).

1890. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 290–291.

1772, Feb. 4. Additional instruction to Josiah Martin (non-resident debtors).

1890. Colon. Records N. C. ix: 235–236.

1772, May 15. Additional instruction to Josiah Martin (public peace).

1895. Colon. Records N. C., xi: 240.

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1731/2, Jan. 17–May 16; July 25–Nov. 8. ib., iii: 398–429.
1733, Mar. 29–Apr. 3; July 3–Dec. 27. ib., iii: 536–633; iv: 1–4.
1734/5, Jan. 15–May 19; Aug. 13–Dec. 16. ib., iv: 31–74.

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1735/6, Feb. 17–June 19; Sept. 21–Oct. 15. ib., iv: 216–225.
1736/7, Mar. 1–10; Sept. 8–Nov. 21. ib., iv: 271–283.
1737/8, Feb. 15–July 1; Nov. 16–Dec. 24. ib., iv: 328–337.
1738/9, Feb. 20–July 11; Sept. 22–Nov. 23. ib., iv: 342–355.
1739/40, Feb. 5–July 11; Aug. 24. ib., iv: 439–461.
1740/1, Mar. 6–May 23; Sept. 21–Oct. 2. ib., iv: 587–603.
1742, May 4–7. ib., iv: 615–619.
1743, Mar. 15–Apr. 2; July 25–28; Nov. 10–18. ib., iv: 625–650.
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1745, Apr. 4–20. ib., iv: 759–768.
1745/6, Mar. 12–15; June 16–28. ib., iv: 798–806.
1746/7, Mar. 5–24. ib., iv: 850–854.
1748, Mar. 25–Apr. 6; Sept. 29–Oct. 15. ib., iv: 884–898.
1749, Apr. 3–14; Sept. 28–Oct. 18. ib., iv: 945–970.
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1755, Mar. 25–May 1; Aug. 28–Oct 13. ib., v: 488–493.
1756, Mar. 12–May 7; Sept. 27–Oct. 25. ib., v: 653–657.
1757, May 17–30; Nov. 18–Dec. 15. ib., v: 810–828.
1758, Mar. 8–July 1; Oct. 21–Dec. 23. ib., v: 990–997.
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1762, Mar. 8–Apr. 30; Oct. 19–Dec. 31. ib., vi: 755–799.
1763, Jan. 1–Apr. 23; Sept. 8–Dec. 24. ib., vi: 1007–1019.
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1769, Apr. 14–May 6; Nov. 4–Dec. 18. ib., viii: 25–161.
1770, Apr. 9–May 12; Oct. 16–Dec. 31. ib., viii: 191–272.
1771, Jan. 2–July 1; Aug. 12–30; Nov. 18–Dec. 30. ib., viii: 480–623; ix: 3–78.
1772, Jan. 25–May 26; Aug. 22–Oct. 12. ib., ix: 228–346.
1773, Feb. 6–June 28; Dec. 6–22. ib., ix: 372–790.
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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT.

1774–1776.

PROVINCIAL CONGRESS.

Journal of proceedings.

1. New Bern. 1774, Aug. 25–27.

177? "Col. Saunders [secretary of state of N. C.] once told me that there was a copy of the journal of this Congress, printed soon after, in his office, but I have never seen it." (Stephen B. Weeks. Hist. Lit. of N. C., p. 42.)
1837. Amer. Archives, 4 ser. i: 734–737.
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2. New Bern. 1775, Apr. 3–7.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1178–1185.
3. Hillsborough. 1775, Aug. 20–Sept. 10.
   1840. Amer. Archives, 4 ser., iii: 181–209.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 164–220.
4. Halifax. 1776, Apr. 4–May 14.
   1776. New Bern, Davis. 46 pp. 8°.
   1831. Raleigh, Lawrence and Lemay. 66 pp. 8°.
   1844. Amer. Archives, 4 ser., v: 1315–1368.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 499–590.
5. Halifax. 1776, Nov. 12–Dec. 23.
   1777. New Bern, Davis. 84 pp. sm. 4°.
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Journal of proceedings.

1. Court House, Johnston co. 1775, Oct. 18–22.
   1840. Amer. Archives, 4 ser., iii: 1087–1094.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 283–293.
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   1843. Amer. Archives, 4 ser., iv: 299–308.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 349–358.
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2. Halifax. 1776, July 21–28.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 682–706.
3. Salisbury. 1776, Sept. 6–13.
   1890. Colon. Records N. C., x: 826–829.
4. Halifax. 1776, Sept. 27–Oct. 25.
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ANSON COUNTY.

1774, Aug. 18. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1032.

CHOWAN COUNTY.

1774, Aug. 22. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1037.
1775, Jan. 28. ib., ix: 1133.
1775, Mar. 4. ib., ix: 1141.
1776, Oct. 15. ib., x; 847.

CRAVEN COUNTY.

1774, Aug. 9. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1026.
1775, Jan. 27. ib., ix: 1116.

EDENTON.

1775, Feb. 4. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1134.

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GRANVILLE COUNTY.

1774, Aug. 15. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1034.

HALIFAX (TOWN AND COUNTY).

1774, Aug. 22. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1038 (town).
1774, Dec. 21. ib., ix: 1101 (county).
1775, Nov. 28. ib., x: 337 (town).

JOHNSTON COUNTY.

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MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

1775, May 31. Wheeler. Hist. Sketches N. C., ii: 255–256.
Extract; proc. annulling royal laws and commissions.
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1774, Oct. 27. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1079.
1774, Nov. 3, 17. ib., ix: 1080, 1088.
1774, Dec. 17. ib., ix: 1100.
1775, Feb. 11. ib., ix: 1126.
1775, Mar. 10, 24. ib., ix: 1154, 1171.
1775, May 1, 20, 27. ib., ix: 1240, 1266, 1281.
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1775, July 1, 8, 17, 29. ib., x: 61, 87, 99, 122.
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1776, Feb. 13. ib., x: 451.
1776, Mar. 23. ib., x: 494.
1776, June 29. ib., x: 618.
1776, July 23. ib., x: 670.

ROWAN COUNTY.

1774, Aug. 8. Colon. Records N. C., ix: 1024.
1774, Sept. 23. ib., ix: 1072.
1774, Nov. 2. ib., ix: 1079.
1775, June 1. ib., x: 9.
1775, July 8, 15. ib., x: 83, 92.
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SURRY COUNTY.

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TRYON COUNTY.

1775, July 10. Colon. Records N. C., x: 88.
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1776, Jan., 4th Tuesday. ib., x: 423.
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STATE GOVERNMENT.

1776 to 1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1776. Constitution . . . ratified Dec. 18, 1776.
1777. Proc. fifth Provincial Congress.
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1890. N. C. Colon. Records, x : 1006–1013.
1904. N. C. State Records, xxiii : 980–984.

1776. Declaration of Rights.
1904. N. C. State Records, xxiii : 976–979.

1776. Ordinances of Constitutional Convention.
1904. N. C. State Records, xxiii : 985–1000.

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COMPILATIONS.

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1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 1–42.
2. 1777, Nov. 15–Dec. 24. Newbern, Davis, 1778. 84 pp. F°.
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1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 184–189.
3. 1779, Jan. 19–Feb. 13. n. t. p. 38 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 190–253.

1. 1779, May 3–12. n. t. p. 4 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 254–261.
2. 1779, Oct. 18–Nov. 20. n. t. p. F°.
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1. 1780, Apr. 17–May 10 (?). n. t. p. 16 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 314–343.

2. 1780, Sept. 5–13 (?). n. t. p. 12 pp. 4°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 344–357.

3. 1781, Jan. 18–Feb. 14. n. t. p.
"16 pages quarto and 4 small folio." (Weeks.)
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 358–383.

1. 1781, June (?)–July 14. n. t. p.
"16 pages quarto and 4 small folio." (Weeks.)
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 384–412.

1. 1782, Apr. 13–May 12. Halifax, Davis, n. d.
"36 pages folio and 20 quarto." (Weeks.)
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 413–474.

1. 1783, Apr. 18–May 17. F°.
Imperfect copy only found recorded. n. t. p. pp. 1–44.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv : 475–542.

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[a] Not seen. Pages from Weeks. Press of N. C. in 18th century (no. 47).

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1. 1784, Apr. 19–June 2. Halifax, Davis, n. d. 92, 2 pp. 4°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 543–648.

1. 1784 Oct. 22–Nov. 25. Newbern, Davis, n. d. 64 pp. 4°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 650–708.

1. 1785, Nov. 19–Dec. 29. Newbern, Arnett & Hodge, 1786. 2, 42 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 710–782.

1. 1786, Nov. 18–Jan. 6, 1787. [Fayetteville, Hodge & Blanchard, n. d.] 56 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 783–884.

1. 1787, Nov. 18–Dec. 22. [Newbern, Hodge & Wills, n. d.] 32 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 885–951.

1. 1788, Nov. 3–Dec. 6. [Edenton, Hodge & Wills, n. d.] 28 pp. F°.
1905. State Records N. C., xxiv: 952–994.

1. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 22. [Edenton, Hodge & Wills, n. d.] 58 pp. F°
1906. State Records N. C., xxv: 1–63.

SENATE.

Journal.

1. 1777, Apr. 7–May 9.
1895.. State Records N. C., xii: 1–94.
2. 1777, Nov. 15–Dec. 24.
1895. ib., xii: 114–452.

1. 1778, Apr. 14–May 2.
1895. State Records N. C., xii: 549–651.
2. 1778, Aug. 8–19.
1895. ib., xii: 764–810.
3. 1779, Jan. 19–Feb. 13.
1896. ib., xiii: 532–622.

1. 1779, May 3–15.
1896. State Records N. C., xiii: 735–776.
2. 1779, Oct. 18–Nov. 20.
1896. ib., xiii: 825–898.
Nov. 11–20. Not found.

1. 1780, Apr. 17–May 10 (?). Not found.
2. 1780, Sept. 5–13. Not found.
3. 1781, Jan. 27–Feb. 14.
1899. State Records N. C., xvii: 635–714.

1. 1781, June 23–July 14.
1899. State Records N. C., xvii: 794–876.
July 14 incomplete.

1. 1782, Apr. 15–May 18.
1901. State Records N. C., xix: 1–128.

1. 1783, Apr. 18–May 17.
1901. State Records N. C., xix: 129–232.

1. 1784, Apr. 19–June 2. Not found.

1. 1784, Oct. 25–Nov. 6.
1901. State Records N. C., xix: 400–488.

1. 1785, Nov. 19–Dec. 29.
1899. State Records N. C., xvii: 264–426.

1. 1786, Nov. 18–Jan. 6, 1787. 1787. 56 pp. F°.
1900. State Records N. C., xviii: 226–485.

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1. 1787, Nov. 18–Dec. 22.
   1902. State Records N. C., xx: 119–300.
1. 1788, Nov. 3–Dec. 6. Edenton, Hodge & Wills, 1788. 56 pp. F°.
   1903. State Records N. C., xxi: 1–188.
1. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 22. Endenton, Hodge & Wills, 1789. 72 pp. F°.
   1903. State Records N. C., xxi: 193–430.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Journal.

1. 1777, Apr. 7–May 9. Not found.
2. 1777, Nov. 15–Dec. 24.
   1895. State Records N. C., xii: 265–439.
1. 1778, Apr. 14–May 2.
   1895. State Records N. C., xii: 655–763.
2. 1778, Aug. 8–19.
   1895. ib., xii: 816–875.
3. 1779, Jan. 19–Feb. 13.
   1896. ib., xiii: 625–734.
1. 1779, May 3–15.
   1896. State Records N. C., xiii: 784–823.
   1900. ib., xviii: 803–825.[a]
1. 1780, Apr. 17–May 10 (?). Not found.
2. 1780, Sept. 5–13 (?). Not found.
3. 1781, Jan. 18 [27]–Feb. 14.
   1899. State Records N. C., xvii: 715–793.
1. 1781, June 23–July 14.
   1899. State Records N. C., xvii: 877–978.
1. 1782, Apr. 16–May 18.
   1899. State Records N. C., xvi: 1–177.
1. 1783, Apr. 18–May 17.
   1901. State Records N. C., xix: 233–399.
1. 1784, Apr. 19–June 3.
   1901. State Records N. C., xix: 489–716.
   First leaf or two of journal of Apr. 19 had not been found when this print was made.
1. 1784, Oct. 22–Nov. 26.
   1901. State Records N. C., xix: 717–836.
1. 1785, Nov. 19–Dec. 29.
   1902. State Records N. C., xx: 1–117.
1. 1786, Nov. 20–Jan. 4, 1787. n. p., n. d. 44 pp. F°.
   1900. State Records N. C., xviii: 1–225.
1. 1787, Nov. 19–Dec. [21].
   1902. State Records N. C., xx: 301–474.
   Imperfect. Concluding portion of journal of Dec. 21 [and the whole of Dec. 22?] not found.
1. 1788, Nov. 3 [–Dec. 6] Edenton, Hodge & Wills, n. d. 41 pp. F°.
   1902. State Records N. C., xx: 474–599. Nov. 3–Dec. 5 only. Weeks, 18th Century Press N. C. (no. 74) gives collation as above without reference to last date of session.
1. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 22. Edenton, Hodge & Wills, n. d. 52+pp. F°.
   1903. State Records N. C., xxi: 577–728. (Nov. 2–Dec. 22 only.)

[a] At the time when v. 13 was printed the concluding part of the journal of May 12, and the journals of May 13–15, had not been found.

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Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1776. Richard Caswell.
1779. Abner Nash.
1781. Thomas Burke.
1782. Alexander Martin.
1784. Richard Caswell.
1787. Samuel Johnston.
1789. Alexander Martin to 1792.

COUNCIL.

Journal.

1779, Mar. 16–July 30. Colon. Records N. C., xiv: 273–332.

A part of the missing Council of State journal, 1777–1780, was recently found in the Bureau of Rolls and Library, Department of State, at Washington, together with a quantity of other papers. The entire material has been returned to the State of North Carolina. (Amer. Hist. Review, April, 1906: 753.)

1781/2, July 23–Dec. 20. Colon. Records N. C., xix: 855–878.

BOARD OF WAR.

Proceedings.

1780/1, Sept. 14–Jan. 30. Colon. Records N. C., xiv: 376–495.

Judicial.

Reports of cases, Superior Courts of N. C., 1778–1797. By F. X. Martin. 2d ed. By Wm. H. Battle. 2 v. in 1. Raleigh, 1843. 8°.

General references.

For a memorandum relative to the recent discovery in the United States Department of State of North Carolina documents covering the years 1755–1835, and their transfer to the State of North Carolina, see American Historical Review for April, 1906, p. 753.

Chalmers (George) Political Annals. Book I, London, 1780. F°.

So much in Chalmers as relates to Carolina is reprinted in Carroll's Hist. Coll., ii: 273–345.

Indexes to documents relative to North Carolina, during the colonial existence of said State, 1663–1777, now on file in the offices of the Board of Trade and State Paper Offices in London: transmitted in 1827: by Mr. Gallatin, and now published by resolution of the Legislature of 1842–43: under the direction of the Public Treasurer. Raleigh: T. Loring, Printer. Office of "The Independent." 1843. 1 p. l., 120 pp. 8°.

Report on expediency and probable cost of printing 100 copies of the colonial records. 4 pp. (House doc. 90, 1850.)

Report of Hon. David L. Swain on the historical agency for procuring documentary evidence of the history of N. C. 1857. n. t. p. 18 pp. (N. C. doc. 28, sess. 1856/7.)

—— Same. Raleigh, Holden and Wilson, 1857. 20 pp. 8°.

Memorial relative to the publication by the state of the documentary history of North Carolina. 4 pp. (Doc. 49, 1858/9.)

Correspondence relative to the disposition of the Letter Book of the Governor and other public records heretofore deposited in the capitol. (Senate jol., 1865/6: 78–79.)

Communication from secretary of state relative to the Great Seal and from trustees of public libraries relative to progress made in discharge of duties under act of 1881 concerning publication of the colonial records of North Carolina. 18 pp. (Doc. 21, 1883.)

The press of North Carolina in the eighteenth century by Stephen B. Weeks. Brooklyn, 1891. 80 pp. 8°.

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Bibliography of the historical literature of North Carolina by Stephen B. Weeks. Cambridge, 1895. 79 pp. (Library of Harvard Univ. Bibliographical contributions, no. 48.)

Checklist of sessions of North Carolina Legislature, 1715–1801, showing location of manuscript journals.

Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. rept., 1897: 437–449, being, in part, 2d ann. rept. Amer. Hist. Ms. Commission, J. F. Jameson, then chrm.

Report on the public archives of North Carolina.

Second report Public Archives Commission, 1901, Amer. Hist. Assn. Ann. Rept., 1901, pp. 345–352.

p. SOUTH CAROLINA.[a]

1664–1789.

ARRANGEMENTS.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Archives of South Carolina Under Proprietary Rule, 1664–1719.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - Parliament.
  - Council journal.
  - Commons House of Assembly journal.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.

Archives of South Carolina Under Royal Government, 1719–1776.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (compilations; session laws).
  - Council minutes.
  - Commons House of Assembly journal.
  - Provincial Congress.
  - Council of Safety.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Commissions and instructions.

Archives of the State of South Carolina, 1776 to 1789.
- Constitution.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes (session laws and tax acts).
  - Senate journal.
  - House journal.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
  - Register
- Judicial.

General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

In 1848 the committee on public buildings of the general assembly, to whom had been referred a resolution on the expediency of constructing rooms for legislative records, urged the collection and preservation of documents relating to South Carolina history, citing the destruction of legislative records by fire, in 1843/4, as illustrative of the necessity of a proper place for keeping them.

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[a] The Commission desires to acknowledge its obligations to Dr. W. Roy Smith, of Bryn Mawr College, for his services in examining this portion of this bibliography.

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In the same year a report was made to the general assembly on the completion of the work of arranging the Senate records from 1782 to date, the work having been undertaken by the clerk of the Senate, pursuant to resolution of 1847. In the following year, viz, 1849, Governor Seabrook refers in his annual message to the value of this work, and also to that of a special agent appointed by one of his predecessors to ascertain the number and character of the documents relating to South Carolina in the Colonial Office in London. He furthermore urges the appointment of an agent to index the manuscripts relating to South Carolina history in State offices, to copy the older and more illegible ones, and afterwards to visit Paris, London, and Madrid with a view to the transcription of such records in the colonial departments of these capitals as are connected with South Carolina history.

In the same year, 1849, a memorial was presented by citizens of the State to the general assembly urging the prosecution of this work.

In July, 1850, Mr. J. S. Green, employed by the governor pursuant to a resolution of 1849, began to collect, arrange, and index the colonial and revolutionary records of South Carolina in the various State offices. His report was transmitted with the governor's annual message of that year, but was not printed. In December, 1850, a report was made on Mr. Green's report, showing that he had indexed and arranged public records from 1782 to 1789, and that two years more would be required to complete the work.

Governor Means, in his annual message of 1851, refers to another report by Mr. Green, and urges the appointment of an agent to be sent to England to fill out the blanks mentioned in this second report.

In 1854 it is evident that nothing had been done, as Governor Means' recommendation is repeated by Governor Manning in his annual message.

No concerted attempt toward the furtherance of this work was made again until 1891. The Public Records Commission, appointed under act of December 23 of that year, was a temporary organization instituted for the specific purpose of transcribing certain records relating to South Carolina history. The sum of $4,000 was appropriated in 1891 for the inauguration of this work, $7,500 being estimated as the cost of completing it. The commission consisted of five members, citizens, with the secretary of state as ex-officio chairman, and it served without compensation.

An agent in London was chosen by the commission with instructions to transcribe all provincial papers in the colonial department relating to the Province of South Carolina from 1663 to 1719, and all papers of record from 1719 to 1775, with certain named exceptions already available to the commission. The agent estimated in October, 1893, that the appropriation of $4,000 would bring the work down to the year 1747, and that $2,500 would be required to complete it. On December 23, 1893, therefore, an additional $2,500 was appropriated. Up to October 31, 1894, 34 volumes of transcripts were received, and a list is given in the commission's report of 1894 of all material available to date. It is there recommended by the commission that a permanent historical commission be created, to serve without compensation, that its material be made available for reference, and that it be published from time to time.

In 1895 volumes 35 and 36 of the transcriptions were received, bound, and indexed. Such of the printed Colonial Records of North Carolina as related to South Carolina were also indexed.

On January 16, 1895, the Historical Commission was organized under act of 1894, with the secretary of state as chairman. The commission was unsalaried and consisted of five members appointed by the governor. Its first report, dated 1897, is a general statement of organization and of reception of the papers and of the balance of the funds of the Public Records Commission, viz,

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$458.35. No accounts or appropriations are mentioned. The report of 1898 is also a general statement without accounts. An appropriation of $1,000 is urged for the completion of indexes not made and for the collection and preservation of State records in bad condition as the result of bad usage. The commission has published the journals noted on pages 536, 537, 548.

References.

1817. Rept. of committee relative to the preservation of public records in the office of the secretary of state. (Repts. and Resolutions, Dec. 1817: 104–105.)

1819. Rept. relative to condition of records in the offices of surveyor-general and secretary of state. (ib., Dec. 1819: 84.)

1820. List of books and records in the offices of the surveyor-general and secretary of state. (ib., Dec. 1820, frontispiece.)

——. Rept. relative to progress of work of copying old records in the offices at Charleston and Columbia and making appropriations for 1821. (ib., Dec. 1820: 88.)

1821. Rept. relative to transactions and accounts of the commissioners on records in the office of the secretary of state, recommending an annual report of expenditures. (ib., Dec. 1821: 84.

1822. Rept. relative to accounts of commissioners on records in offices of surveyor-general and secretary of state. (ib., Dec. 1822: 82.)

1828. Resolution that governor procure list of documents concerning South Carolina history from 1662 to date from office of colonial department in England. (ib., Dec. 1828: 37.)

1848. Rept. Committee on Public Buildings. (Repts. and Resolutions, 1848: 199–201.)

1850. Rept. rearrangement and indexing of archives, 1782–1789. (ib., 1850: 221.)

1891. Rept. of the committee of the S. C. Historical Socy. in the matter of procuring transcripts of the colonial records of this State from the London record offices. Charleston, 1891. 14 pp. 8°.

COLLECTIONS.

A list and abstract of documents relating to South Carolina now existing in the State Paper office, London. Prepared for the South Carolina Historical Society by an authorized agent now in London. 1857–1859.

S. C., Hist. Socy. Coll., i (1857): 87–307; ii (1858): 118–326; iii (1859): 272–343.

The Shaftesbury papers and other Records relating to Carolina and the first settlement on Ashley river prior to the year 1676. Published by the S. C. Historical Socy. Prepared for publication by Langdon Cheves, esq., a member.

Coll. Hist. Socy. S. C. (1897), v: 1–523.

Public Records Commission Reports.

1893 in S. C. Reports and Resolutions, 1893. v. 2: 409–415.
1894. ib., 1894. v. 1: 741–747.
1895. ib., 1896. v. 1: 841–845.

Historical Commission Reports.

1897 in S. C. Reports and Resolutions, 1897: 1555.
1898. ib., 1899. v. 2: 387–391.
1905. ib., 1905. ii: 257–269.
1906. 21 pp.
1907. 12 pp.
1908. 19 pp.

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PROPRIETARY RULE.

1664–1719.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

No laws of the proprietary era were contemporaneously printed. The first compilation of South Carolina laws was that of Mr. Chief Justice Trott, made in 1736. The next was that of Judge John F. Grimke, published in 1790, and, barring Judge Joseph Brevard's Digest (1814), no other compilation was made until the Statutes at Large of Dr. Thomas Cooper and David J. McCord appeared in 1836.

The original manuscript public acts are numbered for many years in regular succession. The private acts are numbered separately, and for some years a numbered class was made of the temporary acts but was not regularly continued. After the institution of royal government, viz, 1719, the numbering ceased. On the manuscript original the last number is 390. The compilation of Mr. Chief Justice Trott commences with act no. 86, date of October 15, 1692, and follows the original manuscripts as far as no. 181, or to the year 1700–1. His entire collection continues to May, 1734. Judge Grimke's collection commences with no. 111, 1694, and continues the numbering to 185, 1700–1. His entire collection continues to January, 1790. Dr. Thomas Cooper commences his collection with act no. 1, May 26, 1682, though nos. 1–22 are given by title only, the originals not having been preserved.[a]

The following collation of proprietary laws is given here, though, possibly, there are some who would contend that these documents might more appropriately be placed below among the proprietary instructions, etc.

1671. Temporary laws [proprietors' acts] 1–7.
S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 324–326.

1674–1675. Same, 8–9.
ib., 367.

1672, June. Same, 1–7.
ib., 403–405.

1672, June 21. Agrarian laws or instructions from the Lords Proprietors. Not found in print, the manuscript exists in London, P. R. O., Colon. En. Bk., v. 20, p. 83.

1674, June 21. Temporary agrarian laws.
ib., 83, 86.

PARLIAMENT.

Before Governor Ludwell's administration, 1691–1693, the legislative assembly in session was called Parliament, thereby conforming to the fundamental constitutions of 1669. During Governor Ludwell's term we find, however, that this designation has been discarded, and the term General Assembly adopted in its stead. The act of October 15, 1692, is the first one in whose ratification clause the phrase General Assembly occurs. From the year 1670 to 1692 the legislative body of South Carolina seems to have been unicameral. The following classification is made upon the assumption that South Carolina was certainly governed by a one-chambered legislature from 1670 to January, 1676, and probably for some years thereafter, but that in September, 1692, a bicameral legislature was in session.

Journal of the Grand Council.

"This legislative body was organized immediately after the landing of the first colony in the Province in March, 1670, but no journal can now be found prior to that beginning Aug. 25, 1671. From the latter date to Jan. 15, 1675 (1676 n. s.), the journal of the Grand Council is intact. From then to April 9, 1692, the beginning of Governor Ludwell's administration, the journal of the Grand Council consists of a few desultory entries. Beginning with April 9, 1692, the journal was once more kept in regular form, and so continued to and included Monday, Sept. 26, 1692." (Ann. report Hist. Commission of S. C. 1906: 13.)

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[a] The ten volumes of Cooper and McCord, of course, extend far beyond the proprietary period, in fact beyond the royal period and well into the period of statehood.

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These council journals are included among the Shaftesbury papers, printed in vol. 5 of the S. C. Hist. Socy. Collections. On p. 407 of this volume there is printed this footnote: "Council journals for July 22, 1672, to Nov. 10, 1674, and June 12, 1675 . . . were lately found in the secretary's office, Columbia, in Grant Book, warrants, 1672–1694. They were known to Hewet (sic) and perhaps Ramsey (sic) but not to Mr. Rivers nor [to] the commission which collected the journals in 1851. They have never been printed and abstracts only are here given, neither the very words nor all the words of the original."

According to McCrady, S. C. under the Proprietary Government, pp. 132–136, 139–141, there were several meetings of the council in 1670. The journals are not extant.

1671, Aug. 25–June 24, 1680. Edited by A. S. Salley, Jr. Published by the Historical Commission of S. C., 1908. 91 pp. illus. 8°.

Portions of these journals have also been printed as follows:

1671, Aug. 25. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 330–332.[a]

1671, Sept. 5, 9, 23, 27. ib., 340–342.

1671, Oct. 2, 4, 14, 24, 26, 28. ib., 344–346.

1671, Nov. 25, 27; Dec. 9, 14. ib., 356–359.

1671, Dec. 20, 23, 30. ib., 368–371.

1671/72, Jan. 6, 10, 13, 15, 20, 22, 23; Feb. 10, 14, 17, 21; Mar. 16. ib., 373–375, 383–386.

1672, Apr. 19, 20, 23; May 11, 16; June 1, 4, 8, 18. ib., 390–397.

1672, June 29; July 2, 6, 9, 22, 27; Aug. 3, 17, 24; Sept. 9; Oct. 2, 18, 24, 31; Nov. 21. ib., 406–415.

1672–1673; 1672, Dec. 7, 12; 1672/73, Jan. 23; Feb. 15, 24; Mar. 4, 10, 22, 29; 1673, May 10. ib., 418–422.

1673–1674; 1673, June 25; July 4, 12, 24, 29; Aug. 2, 9, 30; Sept. 3, 16; Oct. 4, 7; Dec. 22; 1673/74, Jan. 29; Feb. 2; Mar. 7, 28. ib., 424–430.

1674, May 30; July 25; Aug. 3, 13, 16, 20; Sept. 5; Oct. 3; Nov. 2, 10. ib., 450–454.

1674/75–1675; 1674/75, Feb. 9, 15; 1675, Apr. 26; June 12. ib., 462–464, 469–470.

1675–1675/76; 1675, Sept. 4, 9, 11, 14; Oct. 2, 7, 16; Nov. 2; Dec. 10; 1675/76, Jan. 8, 15. ib., 471–475.

1682, ? [–May 26].
1682, ? [–June 8].
1683, ? [–Sept. 25].
1683, ? [–Nov. 7].
1685, Mar. 3 [–Apr. 11].
1685, Nov. 19 [–23].
1686, ? [–Oct. 15].
1687, ? [–Jan. 22].
1687, [Feb. 21–28].
1687, [Apr. 7–9].
1687, [July 21–23].
} Not known to be extant.

1688–1689. No records found.[b]

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[a] This is the "earliest record" quoted by Dalcho. Hist. Acct. P. E. Church in S. C., p. 11.

[b] On October 18, 1690, the proprietors Lord Craven and Peter Colleton, writing [to Gov. James Colleton?] say "the journal of the Parliament [i. e., S. C.?] was taken by the French." Only this bare statement is copied in the two abstracts of the letter, seen, viz, S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 124, and Calend. of State Papers A. and W. I. 1689–92: 1118.

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1690, ? [-Dec. 22].
1691, ? [-Feb. 7].
1691, [Mar. 19-25].
1691, [Apr. 19-May 1].
1691, ? [-Sept. 26].
1691, [Dec. 8-11].
} No record found.

GRAND COUNCIL.

Journal.

The only record, other than the following, which has been found of any council journals after the division of the legislature is a reference in S. C. Acts and Resolutions, 1849, p. 457, to 41 numbers of council journals after 1717 deposited in the office of the secretary of state, Columbia.

1692, Apr. 11-Sept. 26. Edited by A. S. Salley, Jr. Published by the Historical Commission of S. C., 1908. 67 pp. illus. 8°.

COMMONS HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

The following dates are taken from "Colonial Assemblies and their Journals," ann. rept. Amer. Hist. Assn., 1897: 442 et seq. They were supplied for that list by Mr. A. S. Salley, Jr. and Wilberforce Eames.

Journal.

1692, Sept. 20-Oct. 15.
1692/3, Jan. 9-18.
1692/3, Mar. 14-16.
1693, May 8-20.
1693, Sept. 12-20.
1693/4, Mar. 5-14.
1694, May 8-11.
1694, June 12 [-20].
} Not in print. MS. in custody of the Historical Commission of S. C.

1695, ? [-Jan. 17].
1695, ? [-July 16].
} Not known to be extant.

1695, Nov. 20-28.
1696, Nov. 24-Dec. 5.
1697, Feb. 23-Mar. 10.
1697, Nov. 11-12.
1698, Sept. 13-Oct. 8.
1698, Nov. 9-19.
1699, Feb. 8-9.
1699, ? [-Aug. 26].
1700, ? [-Mar. 1].
} Not in print. MS. in custody of the Historical Commismission of S. C.

1700, Oct. 30-Nov. 16.
1701, Feb. ?-Mar. 1.
1701, Aug. 13-28.
1702, Jan. 8-Feb. 3.
} Not in print. MS. fragments only in office of secretary of state, Columbia.

1702, Apr. 1-6.
1702, May 13-18.
1702, Aug. 19-Sept. 10.
1703, Jan. 13-Feb. 24.
1703, Apr. 15-May 8.
1703, Sept. 1-17.
1703, Dec. 7-23.
1704, Apr. 26-May 6.
} Not in print. MS. in custody of the Historical Commission of S. C.

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1704, Oct. 4–Nov. 6. 1705, Jan. 31–Feb. 15. 1706, Mar. 6–Apr. 9. 1706, Nov. 20–Dec. 21. 1707, Jan. 27–Feb. 17. 1707, Mar. 28–Apr. 24. 1707, June 5–July 19. 1707, Oct. 22–Nov. 28. 1708, Feb. 6–14. 1708, ? [–Apr. 24]. 1708, Nov. 24–Dec. 18. 1709, Feb. 1–19. 1709, Apr. 20–May 7. 1709, Oct. 19–Nov. 5.	Not in print. MS. in custody of the Historical Commission of S. C.
1710, ? [–Jan. 14]. 1710, ? [–Apr. 8].	Not known to be extant.
1710, Oct. 10–27. 1710, Dec. 5–6. 1711, Jan. 9–Mar. 1. 1711, May 15–16. 1711, June 12–28. 1711, Oct. 9–12. 1711, Oct. 26–Nov. 10. 1712, Apr. 2–11. 1712, May 13–June 7. 1712, Aug. 5–9. 1712, Nov. 18–Dec. 12. 1713, Sept. 24–25. 1713, Nov. 17–Dec. 18. 1714, May 4–14. 1714, June 1–12. 1714, Nov. 9–Dec. 18. 1715, Feb. 8–18. 1715, May 6–13. 1715, Aug. 2–27.[a]	Not in print. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C. Journal of sessions of June 12, 1711, incomplete.
1716, Feb. 28–Mar. 24. 1716, Apr. 17–May 19. 1716, June 5–30. 1716, July 31–Aug. 4. 1716, Nov. 14–Dec. 30. 1717, Jan. 16–Feb. 16. 1717, Apr. 9–June 29. 1717, Oct. 29–Dec. 11.	Not in print. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1718, ? [–July 5]. 1718, ? [–Oct. 17]. 1719, ? [–Feb. 20]. 1719, ? [–Mar. 20]. 1719, ? [–Dec. 23].	Not known to be extant.

[a] There is in the custody of the Historical Commission of S. C., according to its Annual Report of 1904 (p. 14), the MS. copy of this journal to Oct. 11.

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For letter relative to the proceedings of these last assemblies see S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 238. See also letter of Gov. Glen to the Lords Comrs. of Trade, dated Dec. 23, 1749 (S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 309), in referring to certain acts of these assemblies: "Mr. Johnson, who was governor for the Lords Proprietors, and by them empowered to prorogue and dissolve Assemblies, finding the Assembly attempting some things detrimental to the interest of Great Britain or the proprietors, did in a regular manner, dissolve them, whereon instead of going home they adjourned to a tavern where they sat as an assembly and appointed one of their own number Governor. They next proceeded to the election of a Council, and with this assumed Governor and Council, they made several laws. . . ." The petition of the *de jure* council and assembly to the King praying the assumption of government by His Majesty is printed in abstract in S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., iii: 277.

See also letter of Lords Proprietors to the governor of S. C. abstracted in S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., i: 170, relative to an assembly of July, 1719. The following two pamphlets, although not official, are so closely concerned in the official transactions of this year that it has been thought best to note them here:

Francis Yonge. Narrative of the proceedings of the people of S. C. in the year 1719. London, 1721. Repr. in Carroll. Hist. Coll. S. C., v. 2: 141–192.

True state of the case between the inhabitants of S. C. and the Lords Proprietors of that Province, containing an account of the grievances under which they labour. London, 1719. 4 pp.

There does not seem to be a copy of this pamphlet in any American collection, nor does it seem known to Amer. bibliographers. Reference to it is found in S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 240, indicating that there is a copy in the Public Record Office, London.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1669, July 26. William Sayle, governor.
1670, Sept. Joseph West, chosen by council.
1672, Apr. 19. Sir John Yeamans, proclaimed by proprietors.
1674, Apr. 18. Joseph West, appointed by proprietors.
1682, May 18. Joseph Morton, appointed by proprietors.
1684, Apr. 29. Richard Kyrle, appointed by proprietors.
1684(?). Robert Quarry, chosen by council.
1684/85, Mar. 11. Joseph West, appointed by proprietors.
1685, Sept. Joseph Morton, chosen by council.
1686 (?). James Colleton, appointed by proprietors.
1690, Oct. 6. Seth Sothell.
1691, Nov. 2. Philip Ludwell, appointed by proprietors.
1694 (?). Joseph Blake, chosen by council.
1696 (?). Joseph Blake, deputy governor.
1700. James Moore, chosen by council.
1709 (?). Robert Gibbes, chosen by council.

COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1669, July 26. Proprietary commission to William Sayle, governor of Carolina, south and west of Cape Carteret.
1856. Rivers. Sketch of S. C., 340.
1897. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 117–119.

1669, July 27. Proprietary instructions for the governor and council at Port Royal, Carolina.
1856. Rivers. Sketch of S. C., 347.
1897. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 119–123.

1671, May 1. Instructions for Joseph West.
1897. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., v: 322–324. (Abstract only.)

1671, Aug. 21. Proprietary commission to Sir John Yeamans.
1856. Rivers. Sketch of S. C., 366.

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1674, Apr. 25. Proprietary commission to Joseph West, governor of Ashley River.

1889. Calend. State Papers. Colonial. A. and W. I., 1669–74, no. 1265. (Abstract only.)

1674, May 1. Proprietary instructions to Joseph West.

1889. Calend. State Papers. Colonial. A. and W. I., 1669–74, no. 1295. (Abstract only.)

1682, May 10. Instructions for Joseph Morton.

1857. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., 1: 87. (Abstract only.)

ROYAL GOVERNMENT.

1719–1776.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COMPILATIONS.

1736. The laws of the province . . . in two parts . . . Collected by Nicholas Trott. Charles-Town, L. Timothy, 1736. 2 v. in 1. F°.

SESSION LAWS.

1719–1736. Not contemporaneously printed.
1736, May 29 [–June 26]. Charles-Town, L. Timothy, 1736. 60 pp. F°.
1736, Nov. 10 [–Dec. 14]. Charles-Town, L. Timothy, 1737. 1 l., 63–107 pp. F°.
1736/37, [Feb.–Mar.].
1737, Oct.
1737/38, [Feb. 4–Mar. 25].
1739, [Jan. 16–June 7].
} Charles-Town, L. Timothy, 1738. 1 l., 3–144 pp. F°.
1739, Nov. 6–Dec. 18. One act, viz, support of govt., passed; separately printed?
1740, [Apr.–May].
1740, [July–Sept.].
1740, [Nov.–Dec.].
1741, [Jan.–Feb.].
1741, [Mar.–May].
1741, July.
1741, Oct. ?
1741, Dec. ?
1742, Mar.
1742, May–July.
} (Charles-Town, P. Timothy, ?) 1 l., 139 (1) pp. F°. (Copy seen lacked title-page.)
1742, Sept. No acts passed.
1743, May. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1743. 1 l., 3–40 pp.[a] F°.
1743, [Oct. 4]. No acts passed.
1744, [May 29]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1744. 1 l., 3–60 pp. F°.
1744, June 26–July 7. No acts passed.

[a] Possibly 3–40 pp., 1 l., the 1 l. being for tables usually found with these laws but omitted from the copy of this session seen by compiler.

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1744/45 [Jan.–Mar. 22]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1745. 1 l., 3–40 pp. F°.
1745, [?–May 25]. Not found; 10 acts passed.
1745, [Sept.]. No acts passed.
1745/46, [Jan. 23–Feb. 17].
1746, [Apr.].
1746, [June].
1746, [Sept.].
} Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1747. 1 l., 3–43 (1) pp. F°.
1746/47, [Feb. 17]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1748. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
1747, [June 13]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1747. 1 l., 3–60 (1) pp. F°.
1748, [Jan. 19–June 29–5 [a]]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1749. 1 l., 3–25 (1) pp. F°.
1749, Mar. 28–June 1.
1749, Nov. 21–May 31, 1750.
} Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1750. 1 l., 3–41 (1) pp. F°.
1750, [Nov.].
1751, [Apr.].
1751, [June].
1751, [Aug.].
} Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1751. 1 l., 3–71 (1) pp. F°.
1751, [Nov.]. No acts passed.
1752, [May]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1753. 2 ll,[b] 3–36 pp., 1 l. F°.
1752, [Oct.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1753. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
1753, [Apr.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1754. 1 l., 3–19 (1) pp. F°.
1754, [May]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1755. 1 l., 3–41 (1) pp. F°.
1754, [Nov.]. No acts passed.
1755, [Feb.].
1755, [Apr.].
} Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1755. 1 l., 3–7 (1) pp. F°.
1755, [May]. Not found.
1755, Sept. Not found.
1756, Jan., Mar., Apr. Not found.
1756, [July]. Not found.
1756, [Nov.]. Not found.
1757, [May]. Not found.
1757, [Oct.]. No acts passed; one ordinance was assented to; probably not currently printed.
1758, [May]. Not found.
1759, [Apr.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1759. 1 l., 3–56 (for 58) (1) pp. F°.
1760, [Apr.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1760. 2 ll [b]., 3–56 pp., 1 l. F°.
1761, [Jan.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1761. 1 l., 3–25 (1) pp. F°.
1762, [Feb.]. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1762. 2 ll [b]., 3–49 (1) pp. F°.
1762, Oct. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1764. 1 l., 3–36 pp. F°.
1764, Oct. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1765. 1 l., 3–34 pp. 1 l. F°.
1765, Jan. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1765. 1 l., 3–32 pp. F°.
1765, Oct.
1766, Mar.
1766, June.
1766, July.
1766, Dec.
1767, Apr.
1767, May.
} Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1767. 1 l., 3–31 pp. F°.

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[a] Printed January 1747 on title-page. These acts have half-title, viz: Acts passed by the General Assembly of South Carolina, in March, May, and June, 1748.

[b] First leaf is half-title.

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1768, Apr. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1768. 2 ll.,[a] 3–84, 1 l. pp. F°.
1769, June. No acts passed.
1769, July. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1769. 2 ll.,[a] 3–48 pp., 1 l. F°.
1770, Apr. Charles-Town, D. Bruce, 1770. 2 ll.,[a] 3–48 pp. F°.
1771, Feb. Charles-Town, D. Bruce, 1771. 2 ll.,[a] 3–17 (1) pp. F°.

TAX ACTS.

These acts are printed in the session laws by title only. A sufficient number has been found to indicate that they were probably regularly issued as a separate publication. The fact that they are printed by title only as early as the May, 1740, session would lead to the inference that separate issues of the tax laws were printed at least as early as 1740. The earliest found is that of 1747, of which, as well as of the others found, a collation is as follows:

1747, June. 21 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1747. 1 l., 3–22 pp., 1 l. F°.
1749, June. 23 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1749. 2 ll.,[b] 3–25 (1) pp. F°.
1752, May. 25 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1752. 1 l., 3–27 (1) pp. F°.
1754, May. 27 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1754. 1 l., 3–27 (1) pp. F°.
1755, May. 28 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1755. 1 l., 3–31 (1) pp. F°.
1756, July. 30 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1756. 1 l., 3–27 (1) pp. F°.
1757, May. 30 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1757. 1 l., 3–27 (1) pp. F°.
1758, May.[c] 31 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1758. 1 l., 3–35 (1) pp. F°.
1759, Apr. 32 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1759. 1 l., 3–28 pp. F°.
1760, July.[c] 33 Geo. II. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1760. 2 ll.,[b] 3–29 (1) pp. F°.
1762, Feb. 2 Geo. III. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1762. 2 ll.,[b] 3–30 pp. F°.
1764, Oct.[c] 4 Geo. III. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1764. 1 l., 3–36 pp. F°.
1765, Apr.[c] Not found.
1766, July.[c] 6 Geo. III. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1766. 2 ll.,[b] 3–30 pp. F°.
1767, May.[c] 7 Geo. III. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, 1768. 1 l., 3–31 (1) pp. F°.

A word of caution to collectors of these tax acts may not be out of place here. A peculiarity in their publication might readily lead to expensive error. Owing to the scarcity of copies the chance of error is, of course, largely minimized, but, on the other hand, the high market value placed on these books equalizes the chance of loss to collectors. Some of the tax acts still remain intact with the half title, which is usually "Tax-act, etc." Those copies, however, from which this half title has become separated, and which have only the regular title page, may very easily be taken for session laws. The regular title page of the tax acts is without exception printed in the customary British form for acts, viz, "Anno Regni [Georgii II] Regis Magnæ Britanniæ, Franciæ, and Hiberniæ [Trigesimo], etc." The regular title page of the session acts of South Carolina is without exception in the English language, the wording of which is usually "Acts passed by the General Assembly, etc."

[a] First leaf is half title.
[b] The first leaf in this case is a half title. Possibly all tax acts were originally supplied with this half title.
[c] These tax acts are also printed in full in the Cooper compilation. The last two tax acts under royal government, viz, April, 1768, and August, 1769, are not given in Cooper.

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GRAND COUNCIL.

Minutes.

No council minutes of this period are in print. The only records of any minutes in manuscript, so far found, are the list of MS. council journals in the possession of the Historical Commission of S. C. (Ann. rept. 1906: 13), and the references to the Public Record Office files in the "List, etc., of papers relating to S. C." published by the S. C. Hist. Socy. They may be found as follows:

1721, May 29–June 10. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 151.
1721, July 27–Sept. 21. ib., ii: 151.
1722, Sept. 4–Oct. 6. ib., ii: 157.
1722, Nov. 6–Feb. 23, 1723. ib., ii: 158.
1723, May 8–18. ib., ii: 162.
1723, Oct. 1–5. ib., ii: 163.
1725, Feb. 23–Apr. 17. ib., iii: 290.
1725, May 12–June 1. ib., iii: 291.
1725, Aug. 24–25, Sept. 6–13. ib., iii: 292.
1725, Nov. 1–6. ib., iii: 292.
1725, Nov. 15–Dec. 18. ib., iii: 293.

Minutes of session of Nov. 6, 1722, and Oct. 1, 1723, entered as minutes of "Council in Assembly." In S. C. acts and resolutions for 1849, p. 457, there is a reference to 41 nos. of council journals from 1717 deposited in the office of the secretary of state, Columbia.

COMMONS HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Journals.

1720, Feb. 3–13.
1720, Mar. 8–June 17.
1720, July 12–Sept. 3.
1720, Nov. 22–Apr. 28.
1721, July 27–Sept. 21.
} Not printed. MS. in office of secretary of state, Columbia.

1722 ? [–Mar. 10]. Not known to be extant.

1722 ? [–June 23]. Not printed. May 25–June 23 only known to be extant in office of secretary of state.

1722, Nov. 6–Dec. 15.
1723, Jan. 15–Feb. 23.
} Not printed. MS. in office of secretary of state.

1723, ? MS. fragment only, viz, March 23, known to be extant. In office of secretary of state.

1723, May 8–18.
1723, ?
} Not printed. MS. in office of secretary of state. Possibly this session extended to June 23. If not there is a session for which the journal is missing.

1723, Oct. 1–Dec. 20.
1724, Jan. 13–Feb. 15.
1724, Mar. 12–28.
1724, June 2–16.
1724, Dec. ?
} Not printed. MS. in office of secretary of state.

See S. C. Hist Socy. Coll., ii: 288 for resolution of council of Nov. 21, 1724, calling a new assembly, and ib., under Dec. 3, 1724, forms of writs for electing members of Commons. See ib., Jan. 12, 1725, for proclamation for dissolving assembly then elected. These entries would seem to indicate a winter session of 1724/5.

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1725, Feb. 23–Mar. 24.
1725, Apr. 6–May 11.
1725, May 11–June 1.
1725, Nov. 1–Dec. 18.
1726, Feb. 1–4.
1726, Apr. 25 [–May 21].
1726, Nov. 15–1727, Mar. 11.
1727, Aug. 1–4.
1727, Aug. 23–Sept. 30.
} Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

For an account of the proceedings of the last two sessions noted above, see copy of a representation of the Council, Dec. 19, 1728, in S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 303–330.

1728, Jan. 31–May 11. Not printed. Copy in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

For an account of proceedings see ib., 304–305. Dissensions over tax bills almost entirely absorbed the proceedings.

1728, July 9–27 (22?). Not printed. Copy in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

For an account of proceedings see ib., 305. Tax bill and currency measure continued leading topics.

1728, Sept. 17–Nov. 23.

Called, but did not meet. See ib., ii: 305.

The following dates, from Jan. 15, 1728/29, to Dec. 15, 1733, have been supplied by Dr. W. Roy Smith.

1728/29, Jan. 15–Feb. 21.
1729, Aug. 6–7, Oct. 15–17.
1729/30, Jan. 13–24, Mar. 17–19. (Dissolved on Apr. 29.)
1730/31, Jan. 20–23, Feb. 12–Apr. 10.
1731, May 3–June 3.
1731, June 21–Aug. 20.
1731, Nov. 16–20.
1731/32, Jan. 16–Mar. 3. [17 in Jameson list.]
1732, Dec. 5–16.
1732/33, Jan. 9–Apr. 13 (?).
1733, May 4 (?)–June 9.
1733, Aug. 13–Sept. 22.
1733, Nov. 15–Dec. 15.
} Not printed. Copy in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

The following dates, from Feb. 7, 1733/34, to Dec. 20, 1740, are based on Jameson, the additional dates having been supplied by Dr. W. Roy Smith:

1733/34, Feb. 7–May 31.
1734, Nov. 6–June 7, 1735.
1735, Nov. 25–May 29, 1736.
1736, June 23–26.
1736, July 13.
1736, Nov. 10–Mar. 5, 1737.
1737, ? [–Oct. 8.]
1738, Jan. 17–Mar. 25.
1738, Sept. 12–18.
} Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

1738/39, Jan. 17 (16 in Jameson)–Apr. 13, 1739.
1739, May 29–June 7.
1739, Sept. 12–14.
1739, Nov. 6–Dec. 17.
1739/40, Jan. 21–Feb. 27 (?).
1740, Apr. 5 (?)–May 10 (?).
} Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

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1740, July 15–Sept. 19. 1740, Nov. 19 (18?)–21. 1740, Dec. 9–20. 1740/41, ?–Mar. 26, 1741. 1741, May 18–July 3. 1741, Oct. 20–Dec. 1.	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1741, Dec. 1–Mar. 8, 1742. 1742, ? [–May 25]. 1742, ? [–July 10]. 1742, Sept. 14 — ?. 1742, ? –May 7, 1743. 1743, Oct. 4–May 29, 1744. 1744, June 26–July 7.	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1745, ? –Mar. 22. 1745, ? –May 25.	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1745, Sept. 10–?. 1745, ?–Jan. 25, 1746. 1746, ?–Feb. 17. 1746, ?–Apr. 16. 1746, ?–June 17. 1746, Sept. 10–?. 1747, ?–Feb. 17. 1747 ?–Mar. 12. 1747 ?–June 13. 1748, Jan. 19–June 29. 1749, Mar. 28 [a]–June 1. 1749, Nov. 21–May 31, 1750. 1750, Nov. 13–May 18, 1751. 1751, June 1–15. 1751, Aug. 16–31.	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1751, Nov. 14–? 1752, [Oct. ?–] Nov. 15. 1752, ?–May 16. 1752, Nov. 21–? 1753, ?–Apr. 21. 1753, Aug. 20–25. 1754, Jan. 8–May 11. 1754, ?–Sept. 6. 1754, Nov. 12–Sept. 23, 1755. 1755, Nov. 20–July 6, 1756. 1756, Nov. 2–July 6, 1757. 1757, Oct. 6–May 19, 1758. 1758, Oct. 28–Apr. 7, 1759. 1759, July 2–Aug. 19, 1760. 1760, Oct. 6–Jan. 24, 1761. 1761, Mar. 26–Dec. 26 (24?). 1762, Feb. 6[–May 29]. 1762, ?–Sept. 13. 1762, Oct. 25–Dec. 28.* 1763, Jan. 24–? 1764, ?–Aug. 25.	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C., except the items marked with an asterisk.

[a] See Cooper's St. at Large, ii: 718, for act assented to Mar. 16, 1749.

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1764, ?–Oct. 6. 1765, Jan. 8–Aug. 9. 1765, Oct. 28–Apr. 12, 1768. 1768, Nov. 15–19. 1769 [Mar. 14–]?* 1769, June 26–Aug. 23. 1769, Nov. 28–Sept. 8, 1770. 1771, Jan. 15–Dec. (Nov. ?) 5. ? –Apr. 10, 1772. 1772. Oct. 8–Nov. 10. 1773, Jan. 17–Sept. 15, 1775.* [a]	Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C., except the items marked with an asterisk.

The journal of Aug. 2–3, 1774, may be found in American Archives, ser. 4, i: 671–672.

PROVINCIAL CONGRESS.

Journal.

1775, Jan. 11. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 1109–1118.

1775, Nov. 1–29. ib., i: 27–76.

1776, Feb. 1–Mar. 26. ib., i: 561–615.

Contemporary editions of these journals have been found as follows:

1775, Nov. 1–29. Extracts from journals of the provincial congress. Charleston, 1776. 165 pp. 8°.

1776. Journal of the provincial congress of S. C. London, reprinted. 1776. 8°.

COUNCIL OF SAFETY.

Journal.

1. 1775, June 16–July 26. S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 22–64.

2. 1775, Nov. 30–1776 Feb. 26. ib., iii: 35–271.

Papers.

1. 1775. Hist. and Geneal. Mag. S. C., i: 41–75, 119–135, 183–205, 279–310.

2. 1775. ib., iii: 194–201, iv: 3–25, 83–97, 195–214.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1719. James Moore.
1721. Sir Francis Nicholson.
1725.[b] Arthur Middleton, president of council, acting governor.
1730.[b] Robert Johnson.
1735. Thomas Broughton, lieutenant governor.
1737. William Bull, president of council, acting governor.
1738. William Bull, lieutenant governor.
1743. James Glen, appointed in 1738; did not come to the colonies until 1743.
1756. William Henry Lyttleton.
1759. William Bull, 2d, lieutenant governor.
1760. Thomas Pownal; did not come out.
1760. William Bull, 2d, acting governor.
1761. Thomas Boone.
1764. William Bull, 2d, lieutenant governor.
1766. Lord Charles Greville Montagu.
1768. William Bull, 2d, lieutenant governor, May to October.
1768. Lord Charles G. Montagu.
1769. William Bull, 2d, lieutenant governor.
1771. Lord Charles G. Montagu.
1773. William Bull, 2d, lieutenant governor.
1775. Lord William Campbell.

[a] The MS. journal in custody of the Historical Commission of S. C. ends with Aug. 30.

[b] McCrady makes these dates 1724 and 1729, respectively. See also list in Smith, S. C. as a Royal Province, 410.

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COMMISSIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS.

1720, Aug. 30. Representation with a draught of instructions for a governor of Carolina, appointed by the King and relating to the State of Defence of that province and of Nova Scotia, August 30, 1720.
Colonial Records N. C., xi: 393–394.

1720. Royal instructions to Francis Nicholson, governor of S. C.
1856. Rivers. Chapter in Hist. S. C., 68.

1730. Instructions for Robert Johnson.
S. C. Hist. Socy. Coll., ii: 176–179. [Long abstract.]

1763. Royal instructions to Thomas Boone. (Line between North and South Carolina.)
N. C. Colon. Records, xi: 153.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

1776 to 1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1776. Constitution of South Carolina.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1615–1620.

1778. Constitution of South Carolina.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., ii: 1620–1627.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

SESSION LAWS.

1776, Mar. 26–Apr. 11.
It is believed that the acts of this the first session were not printed with one title-page and one continuous paging. The following acts, 11 in number, have been found for this session, each individually paged:
An ordinance for establishing the oath of office. 4 pp.
An ordinance for making disposition of moneys for support of govt. 4 pp.
An ordinance to repeal part of an ordinance passed Feb. 23, 1771, appointing H. Prenneau and B. Dart joint public treasurers. 4 pp.
An act to increase number of fire masters in Charlestown. 4 pp.
Act to punish those who shall counterfeit . . . certificates issued by late Houses of Assembly. 4 pp.
Act for more effectual prevention of desertion of soldiers. 5 pp.
Ordinance for altering time for holding ensuing circuit courts. 5 pp.
Ordinance to ascertain duties of a muster-master. 4 pp.
Act to prevent sedition. 7 pp.
Act to empower Court of Admiralty to have jurisdiction . . . . 9 pp.
Act to revive certain acts. 7 pp.

1776, Sept. 17–Oct. 20. Charles-Town, P. Timothy, n. d. 1 l., 20 pp., 1 l. F°.

1776, [Dec.] Not found; one act passed; currently printed?

1777, [Jan.–Feb.] Not found; 25 acts and ordinances passed.

1777, [Aug.] n. t. p., half title. 1 l., 11 (1) pp. F°.

1778, [Jan.–Mar.]. Not found; 39 acts and ordinances were passed.[a]

1778, [Sept.–Oct.]. Not found; 14 acts and ordinances were passed.

1779, [Jan.–Feb.]. Not found; 13 acts and ordinances were passed.

1779, [Aug. 31–1780 Feb. 12]. Not found; 17 acts and ordinances were passed.

1782, Jan. 8–Feb. 26. [Philadelphia]. J. Dunlap, n. d. 1l., 3–46 pp. F°.

1782, Jan. 8–Feb. 26. n. t. p. 29 (1) pp. F°.

1783, Jan. 6–Mar. 17. n. p., n. d. 1 l., 1–44, 49–52, 49–74 pp. F°.

1783, July 7–Aug. 13.

[a] These acts were probably issued separately. There is in the Library of Congress a collection of original acts of this session, 15 in number, each separately paged.

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These acts were probably not contemporaneously issued with a covering title-page and continuous paging. Eight acts were passed. Each act as printed has its own paging, but the whole eight are made into one by having been given a consecutive numbering on the bottom of the page, as follows:

no. 1. Act to impose certain duties. 2 pp.
no. 2. Act to incorporate Charleston. 6 pp.
no. 3. Act to oblige all public officers . . . to have their accounts made up. 2 pp.
no. 4. Act for the temporary regulation of the militia of the State. 2 pp.
no. 5. Act for reviving . . . an act for preventing spreading of malignant . . . distempers. 2 pp.
no. 6. Act to vest one hundred acres of land. 2 pp.
no. 7. Act for levying . . . certain duties. 6 pp.
no. 8. Ordinance for laying impost on tonnage. 2 pp.

1784, [Mar.]. Charleston, J. Miller, 1784. 1 l., 3–102 pp., 1 l. F°.

1785, [Mar.], Charleston, A. Timothy, 1785. 2 ll., 58 pp. and v. p.[a] [16, 12, 12, 7 (1) pp.], 1 l. F°.

1785, Sept. 20–Oct. 12. n. t. p. 15 pp., 1 l. F°.

1786, Jan. 10–Mar. 22. Charleston, Bowen and Markland, 1786. 1 l., 71 (1) pp., 1 l. F°.

1787, Jan. 1–Mar. 28. Charleston, A. Timothy, 1787. 1 l., 77 (1) pp., 1 l. F°.

1788, Jan. 8–Feb. 29. Charleston, A. Timothy, 1788. 1 l., 34 pp. F°.

1788, Oct. 7–Nov. 4. Charleston, A Timothy, 1789. 1 l., 7 (1) pp. F°.

1789, Jan. 5–Mar. 13. Charleston, A. Timothy, n. d. 1 l., 62 pp. F°.

TAX ACTS.

1777, Jan. 17. n. p., n. d. half-title, 1 l., 13 (1) pp. F°.

This, the first tax act under State government, is also given in full in Cooper, as are the tax acts of Mar., 1778; Sept., 1779; Mar., 1783, 1784, 1785, and 1786. The act of Jan., 1777, is the only tax act of this period of which a separate was found.

SENATE.

Under constitution of 1776 called Legislative Council. Name changed to Senate by constitution of 1778.

Journal.

The Senate journals are missing until the Jan.–Feb. session of 1782, which was held at Jacksonborough. From that journal down to 1865 the Senate journals are intact and in the custody of Historical Commission of S. C. None were contemporaneously printed until 1831.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Under constitution of 1776 called General Assembly. Name changed to House of Representatives by constitution of 1778.

Journal.

1776, Mar. 26–Apr. 11. Columbia, 1906. 89 pp.

Ed. by A. S. Salley, jr., secy. Hist. Commission of S. C.

Concerning this item the Historical Commission of S. C. prints the following note (Ann. rept. 1906: 15): "On March 26, 1776, the Provincial Congress of S. C., which was nothing more than a popular convention, adopted a constitution by which independence of Great Britain was declared and the Congress constituted a 'General Assembly.' From this body an upper house was selected. The journal of the lower house of this body constituted the first journal of the House of Representatives of South Carolina."

[a] The v. p. are the last 9 acts and one other indicated in the index by an asterisk as "not being printed at the State Printing-Office [they] could not be properly ranged (*sic*) in the index."

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1776, Mar. 26–Apr. 11. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, v: 615–656.
1776, Sept. 17–Oct. 20. Ib., ser. 5, iii: 1–84.
1776, ?–Dec.
1777, ?–Feb.
1777, ?–Aug.
1778, ?–Mar.
1778, ?–Oct.
1779, ?–Feb.
} Not known to be extant.
1779, Aug. 31–1780 Feb. 12.
1782, Jan. 8–Feb. 26.
1783, Jan. 6–Mar. 17.
1783, July 7–Aug. 13.
} Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.
1784, ?–Mar. 26.
1785, Jan. 3–Mar. 25.[a]
1785, Sept. 20–Oct. 12.
1786, Jan. 10–Mar. 22.
1787, Jan. 1–Mar. 28 (22?).
1788, Jan. 8–Feb. 29.
1788, Oct. 7–Nov. 4.
1789, Jan. 5–Mar. 13.
} Not printed. MS. in custody of Historical Commission of S. C.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1776–1778. John Rutledge.
1778–1779. Rawlins Lowndes.
1779–1782. John Rutledge.
1782–1783. John Matthews.
1783–1785. Benjamin Guerard.
1785–1787. William Moultrie.
1787–1789. Thomas Pinckney.

PRIVY COUNCIL.

"The Privy Council was established by the constitution of 1776 and abolished by that of 1790. It was merely an advisory council to the governor. The manuscript journals of the council from Feb. 11, 1783, to Oct. 3, 1786, are in the custody of the Historical Commission of S. C." (Ann. rept. Hist. Commission 1906: 19.)

Judicial.

South Carolina Reports, 1783–1804. Elihu H. Bay, New York, 1809–1811. ed. 2. 2 v. 8°.

Digest of South Carolina Reports, 1783–1838. William Rice, Charleston, 1838. 2 v. 8°.

South Carolina Equity Reports, 1784–1816. Henry W. Desaussure, Columbia, 1817–1819. 4 v. 8°. New ed., Philadelphia, 1854. 4 vols. in 2. 8°.

General references.

Report of a committee of the S. C. Historical Society in the matter of procuring transcripts of colonial records of this State from the London Record office. Charleston, 1891. 14 pp. 8°.

Report of committee on state of the records in the office of the clerk of the House. 1847.

S. C. Reports and res., 1847: 344–347.

[a] Compiler is not certain as to these dates representing one or more sessions. Entry is taken bodily from Ann. report Historical Commission of S. C. 1906.

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Report, in response to a resolution of 1829 appointing a commissioner, relative to the historical records in the office of the colonial department in England. 1849.

S. C. Reports and res., 1849: 454–469.

Schedule of the records in the offices at Charleston and Columbia. 2 obl. 8° sheets showing in detail the titles and condition of the record volumes.

Bound with S. C. Reports and res. of 1820.

q. GEORGIA.

1732-1789.

ARRANGEMENT.

Prefatory note.
Collections.
Archives of the charter government, 1732–1752.
- Charter.
- Trustees.
  - Journal.
- Governors.
  - Register.
  - Executive correspondence.
- Governor's council.

Archives of the provincial government, 1752–1775.
- Legislative.
  - Statutes.
  - Upper house.
  - Commons house.
  - Council of safety.
  - Provincial congress.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
    - Executive correspondence.
  - Governor's council.

Archives of the State government, 1776 to 1789.
- Constitution.
- Legislative.
  - House of Assembly.
- Executive.
  - Governors.
    - Register.
  - Executive council.

General references.

PREFATORY NOTE.

The earliest efforts on the part of Georgia to care for her records were prompted by utility, that is, her officials found the existing arrangement a detriment to expeditious use of the records. Governor Mitchell was the first to take any action on this subject. In 1810 he urged that steps be taken looking to the preservation of the Revolutionary and other old records in the executive office. In 1817 a report was made of an examination of books of record and other papers appertaining to the offices of the secretary of state, treasurer, comptroller-general and surveyor-general. This report is accompanied by a list of the books, ledgers, journals, etc., in these offices. Six years later, in 1823, Governor Clarke urged that the old books and historical records in the executive office be indexed. In this year (Senate journal 1823: 175) the sums of $1,500 and $1,000 respectively were appropriated, the former to enable the

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clerk of the house to compile an index to the thirty-one manuscript volumes of house journals, 1783–1819, and the latter to enable the secretary of the senate to perform a similar work for the twenty-three volumes of manuscript senate journals, 1790–1821, then in his possession. In 1826 Governor Troup, in referring to the progress of a history of Georgia then being compiled by Mr. Bevan as appointed historiographer of the State, urges the establishment of an agency in London for the collection of further historic material, suggesting the name of the said Mr. Bevan as agent for the State. Nothing seems to have come of the governor's recommendation until 1831.

In the meantime, the work of indexing the records, recommended in 1817, seems to have taken shape. In 1829 Governor Forsyth was authorized to employ an indexer for that purpose, and to pay for the service out of the executive contingent fund.

In 1831 a committee, reporting on the need for a correct history of the State, refers to the difficulties of historical research resulting from the fact that Georgia colonial records were to be found only in the archives of the Board of Trade, London. With this report a resolution was submitted, appropriating the sum of $1,500 to pay the expenses of an agent to London for the purpose of transcribing these records. The agent was to report to a future committee on finance, and the copies thus obtained were to be deposited in the executive office. This resolution was concurred in by the senate (House journal, 1831: 186). That this agency became a fact is shown by the message of Governor Gilmer, in 1838, when transmitting a letter from the then agent of Georgia in London, Mr. Howard. According to this letter the agent had been unsuccessful in obtaining access to the British archives. The legislature had made an appropriation of $4,000 to carry out the object of the agency. Of this sum $500 had already been expended, and it was Mr. Howard's estimate that $9,500 would be required to pay for the transcription of the records wanted. There is no record in the journals of this appropriation having been granted, and from this time to 1849 there was, according to the records, a hiatus in the work looking toward the collection or transcription of Georgia's records.

In 1849 the select committee to whom had been referred the memorial of the Georgia Historical Society reported that six volumes of manuscript records had been obtained by the society and were offered to the State. These volumes contained the acts and the correspondence of the trustees of the colony of Georgia from 1732 to 1735. A resolution was appended appropriating $600 as payment for the volumes, and they were secured for the State, with sixteen volumes more, 22 in all. But nearly all were accidentally burned in 1891, having been lent to an individual.

In July, 1881, certain colonial records of Georgia were offered for sale in London. The committee appointed to consider the expediency of the purchase of these records for the State made a divided report. Mr. N. L. Hutchins, chairman of the committee, made an adverse report, and Seaborn Wright, chairman of the minority, reported in favor of their purchase. Four years later, Mr. J. S. Morgan, then of London, but formerly of the United States, made a gift to the State of Georgia of the original manuscript records of the transactions of trustees for the establishment of the colony of Georgia. Governor Candler, in his message of 1900, recommends that the governor be authorized to employ, at an annual salary, some fit and proper person to compile and superintend the publication of all unpublished manuscripts, books, and papers yet available, bearing on the colonial and revolutionary period of Georgia. This was done in 1902, and in 1905 the first volume of "The Colonial Records of the State of Georgia" (see pages 552, 553) was published.

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1810. Governor Mitchell's message on preservation of records. (House jol., 1810 : 52.)

1811. Schedule of books and docs. on file in office of secretary of state. (Sen. jol., 1811 : 92–93.)

1817. Rept. on examination of records in office of secretary of state, etc. (Sen. jol., 1817 : 24.)

1823. Message of Governor recommending classification of records in executive office. (House jol., 1823 : 123; Sen. jol., p. 186, 197–198.)

1826. Governor's message transmitting documents on progress made by Mr. Bevan as historiographer. (Sen. jol., 1826 : 45–46.)

1831. Same, transmitting correspondence concerning the application of Georgia to the British Government for copies of her early records. (Sen. jol., 1831 : 136–137.)

——. Rept. on sending agent to England to transcribe records. (House jol., 1831 : 125–126.)

1838. Same, on transmitting report of agent sent to London to procure copies of colonial records. (House jol., 1838 : 68; Sen. jol., 60–61.)

1840. Same, on transmitting report of secretary of state on correction of imperfections in public records. (Sen. jol., 1840 : 161.)

1849. Report on appropriation for transcripts of six volumes of manuscript records obtained by Georgia Historical Society. (Sen. jol., 1849/50 : 93.)

1878. Rept. on condition of executive archives, and recommended legislation re same. (House jol., Nov. sess. 1878, v. 1 : 415–417.)

1881. Minority report of finance committee on purchase of records to be sold in London. (House jol., adjd. sess., 1881 : 37–38.)

1885. Message of governor announcing Morgan gift to State. (House jol., adjd. sess., 1885 : 415; Sen. jol., pp. 202–203.)

COLLECTIONS.

The colonial records of the State of Georgia. Compiled and published under authority of the Legislature by Allen D. Candler. Atlanta, Franklin Printing and Publishing co., Geo. W. Harrison, mngr., 1905–1906. v. 1–4. 8°.

v. 1. 1905. pp. 10, 1 l., 11–578 pp.
Charter of the Colony of Georgia. pp. 11–26. List of trustees for establishing the Colony of Ga. pp. 27–30. By-Laws and Laws. pp. 31–62. Journal of the Trustees for establishing the Colony of Georgia from July 20, 1732, to June 23, 1752. pp. 63–578.

v. 2. 1905. 1 p. l., 525 pp.
The Minutes of the Common Council of the Trustees for establishing the Colony of Georgia from August 3, 1732, to April 29, 1752.

v. 3. 1905. 3 p. l., vi, 7–432 pp.
General account of all monies and effects received and expended by the trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia in America, for the carrying on the good purposes of their trust, from June 9, 1732, to June 9, 1751. pp. 7–367. An account showing the progress of the colony of Georgia in America from its first establishment. London: Prtd. in the year MDCCXLI. pp. 369–432.

v. 4. 1905. 698 pp.
A journal of the proceedings in Georgia beginning October 20, 1737. By William Stephens, Esq., to which is added, a state of that province, as attested upon oath in the court of Savannah November 10, 1740.

v. 5. Not yet published.

v. 6. 1906. 486 pp.
Proceedings of president and assistant, 1740–1754.

v. 7. 1906. 968 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1754–1759.

v. 8. 1907. 815 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1759–1762.

v. 9. 1907. 765 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1763–1766.

v. 10. 1907. 1034 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1767–1769.

v. 11. 1907. 461 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1770–1771.

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v. 12. 1907. 541 pp.
Proceedings and minutes of governor and council, 1771–1772.
v. 13. 1907. 782 pp.
Journal Commons House of Assembly, January 7, 1775–December 16, 1762.
v. 14. 1907. 683 pp.
Journal Commons House of Assembly, January 17, 1763, to December 24, 1768.
v. 15. 1907. 685 pp.
Journal Commons House of Assembly, October 30, 1769, to June 16, 1782.

CHARTER GOVERNMENT.

1732–1752.

CHARTER.

1731, June 9. Royal charter of Colony of Georgia. 5 George II.
1766. Charters of following provinces of North America. . . . London, 1766. 7 pp.
1847. Stevens. Hist. of Georgia, 1: 476–493.
1854. White. Hist. Coll. of Georgia, 1–13.
1855. Ib., ed. 3, p. 3–13.
1878. Poore. Charters, etc., 1: 369–377.
1905. Georgia Colon. Records, 1: 11–26.

TRUSTEES.

The journal of the transactions of the trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia in America. June 9, 1738, to June 6, 1744. By the Rt. Hon. John, Earl of Egmont. Now first printed. Wormsloe. MDCCCLXXXVI. x, 493 pp.

The journal of the trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia in America, from July 20, 1732, to June 23, 1752.
Ga. Colonial Records, 1: 63–578.

The minutes of the common council of the trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia in America, from August 3, 1732, to April 29, 1752.
Ga. Colonial Records, ii: 3–525.

Extracts from the minutes of the trustees. [July 20, 1732–Jan. 8, 1752.]
White. Ga. Hist. Coll., ed. 3, pp. 14–20.

The general account of all monies and effects received and expended by the trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia in America, for the carrying on the good purposes of their trust from June 9, 1732, to June 9, 1751.
Ga. Colonial Records, iii: 7–367.
In the British Museum are copies of the two first of these reports, viz, June 9, 1732–June 9, 1733, and same, 1733–1734. London, 1733–34. F°.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1732, July 15–June 9, 1752. James Oglethorpe.
1743, July 11–Apr. 8, 1751. William Stephens, president of the council and acting governor during the absence of General Oglethorpe.

EXECUTIVE CORRESPONDENCE.

Letters from General Oglethorpe, 1735–1744.
Ga. Hist. Socy. Coll., iii: 1–156.

COUNCIL.

Proceedings of president and assistants.
1741, Oct. 12–Oct. 30, 1754. 486 pp. Ga. Colon. Records, v. 6.

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PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT.

1752–1775.

Legislative.

STATUTES.

COLLECTIONS.

A collection of all Laws passed 1755 to 1761 and still in Force when printing was begun, (as selected by the Commissioners appointed under the Act of March 4, 1762, "for making Provision for printing the Laws of this Province and for encouraging a Printer to set up a Printing Press in the same.") Savannah: James Johnston, 1763–1764 (?).

34 acts printed as 32 separately printed, and separately paged, pieces (of from 1 to 10 pp. each). Q. no title-pages. v. p. (MS. pp. 1–129.)

Acts passed by the General Assembly of the Colony of Georgia, 1755 to 1774. Now first printed. Wormsloe, 1881. 428 pp. F°.

49 copies privately printed.

SESSION LAWS.

1. 1755, Jan. 7–Feb. 21.
2. 1755, Feb. 26–Mar. 7.
3. 1756, Feb. 2–19.

} Not contemporaneously printed.[a]

1. 1756, Nov. 1–Dec. 15.
2. 1757, Jan. 10–Feb. 17.
3. 1757, June 16–July 28.
4. 1758, Jan. 11–June 30.
5. 1758, Nov. 13–Dec. 13.
6. 1759, Jan. 16–Mar. 27.
7. 1759, Oct. 22–Nov. 24.
8. 1760, ?–Apr. 24.
9. 1760, ?–May 1.
   1760, ?–July 15.

} Not contemporaneously printed.[a]

1. 1760, Aug. 18–Jan. 12, 1761. Not contemporaneously printed.[a]
1. 1761, Mar. 24–June 9. Not contemporaneously printed.[a]

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[a] Acts passed from 1755 to 1761 which were in force when printing was introduced in 1763 have been printed as follows:

Act Inflicting and imposing Penalties. Feb. 17, 1755. 1 leaf.

Act Declaring it High Treason to counterfeit his Majesty's Seal of this Province. Mar. 7, 1755. 1 leaf.

Act For raising a publick Store of Gun-powder. Dec. 14, 1756. 1 leaf.

Act for confirming Sales of Land. Feb. 8, 1757. 1 leaf.

Act For establishing and regulating of Patrols. 5 (1) pp. July 28, 1757.

Act Intituled, An Act to oblige the Male white Persons in the Province of Georgia to carry Fire-arms. July 28, 1757. 1 leaf.

Act To prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians. Feb. 15, 1758. 2 pp.

Act For constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes. Mar. 15, 1758. 7 (1) pp.

Act For limiting the Time for Persons claiming Lands . . . Mar. 15, 1758. 3 (1) pp.

Act For better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah. Mar. 15, 1758. 5 (1) pp.

Act For regulating the Assize of Bread. Dec. 12, 1758. 4 pp.

Act To prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying of Persons in Debt. Mar. 27, 1759. 4 pp.

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2. 1761, Nov. 10–Mar. 4, 1762. Savannah, J. Johnston [1764].[a] 1 l., 3–18 pp. 4°.
3. 1762, Oct. 8–Apr. 7, 1763. Savannah, J. Johnston [1763]. 1 l., 23 (1) pp. 4°.
4. 1763, Nov. 21–Feb. 29, 1764. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 3–28 pp. 4°.
5. 1764, May 26–29. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 3–5 (1) pp. 4°.
6. 1764, June 26–Sept. 24. Not found; acts passed?

1. 1764, Nov. 20–Mar. 25, 1765. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 71 (1) pp. 4°.
2. 1765, Oct. 24–Mar. 6, 1766. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 41 (1) pp. 4°.
3. 1766, June 16–18.
4. 1766, July 15–22.
5. 1766, Nov. 10–Mar. 26, 1767.
} Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 39 (1) pp. 4°.
6. 1767, Oct. 26–Apr. 11, 1768. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 34 pp., 1 l. 4°.

1. 1768, Nov. 17 (7?) –Dec. 24. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 12 pp., 1 l. 4°.

1. 1769, Oct. 30–May 10, 1770. Savannah, J. Johnston, n. d. 1 l., 52 pp., 1 l. 4°.
2. 1770, Oct. 22–Feb. 22, 1771. Not found; printed?

1. 1771, Apr. 23–26. Not found.

1. 1772, Apr. 21–25. Not found.

Act For the better regulating Fences in the Province of Georgia. Mar. 27, 1759. 2 pp.

Act For the better regulating Taverns. Mar. 27, 1759. 4 pp.

Act To prevent stealing of Horses. Mar. 27, 1759. 4 pp.

Act For establishing the Method of appointing Constables. Mar. 27, 1759. 4 pp.

Act For reducing the Interest of Money in this Province. Mar. 27, 1759. 1 leaf.

Act to explain and amend An Act, intituled, An Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah. Mar. 27, 1759. 1 leaf.

Act For the repairing of Christ-Church in Savannah, [and] Act To prevent the building of wooden Chimnies in the Town of Savannah. Mar. 27, 1759. 4 pp.

Act To oblige Ships . . . , to perform Quarantain (sic). Apr. 24, 1760. 3 (1) pp.

Act For ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors . . . Apr. 24, 1760. 6 pp.

Act For the more easy and speedy Recovery of small Debts and Damages. Apr. 24, 1760. 7 (1) pp.

Act To enable Feme Coverts to convey their Estates. Apr. 24, 1760. 2 pp.

Act For empowering Trustees to purchase a House in the Town of Savannah. Apr. 24, 1760. 2 pp.

Act for stamping, imprinting, issuing and making current, the Sum of £7410 . . . May 1, 1760. 9 (1) pp.

Act To amend and continue an Act, intituled, An Act for establishing and regulating of Patrols. May 1, 1760. 1 leaf.

Act To amend an Act, intituled, An Act to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying of Persons in Debt. May 1, 1760. 1 leaf.

Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah. May 1, 1760. 3 (1) pp.

Act To ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants . . . in the Commons House of Assembly. June 9, 1761. 4 pp.

Act For subjecting and making liable to Attachment the Estate . . . of absent Debtors . . . June 9, 1761. 6 pp.

Act For raising . . . Sum . . . to repair the Light-house on Tybee Island. June 9, 1761. 4 pp.

Act For amending an Act, intituled, An Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah . . . June 9, 1761. 2 pp.

Act For raising . . . Sum . . . for erecting a Fort and Battery on the Island of Cockspur. Dec. 19, 1761. 7 (1) pp.

[a] This is the actual year of printing. Accompanied by two separately printed acts of this session, viz., An Act to explain and amend an Act, intituled, An Act for the more easy and speedy Recovery of small Debts and Damages. n. t. p. 2 pp.; An Act for raising and granting to His Majesty the sum of £193 10s. 3 (1) pp. n. t. p.

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1. 1772, Dec. 9–Sept. 29, 1773.
2. 1774, ?–Mar. 12.
3. 1774, ?–June 20.
4. 1775, Jan. 18–Feb. 10.
   1775, May 9–11.
   1775, May 15.
5. 1775, Nov. 7.

} Not found.

TAX ACTS.

1763. iii, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £1934 9s. n. t. p. 8 pp.
1764. iv, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £2117 13s. ¾d. n. t. p. 8 pp.
1765. v, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £1559 7s. 1½d. n. t. p. 8 pp.
1766. vi, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £1925 6s. 1d. n. t. p. 8 pp.
1767. vii, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £1843 11s. 4d. n. t. p. 8 pp.
1768. viii, Geo. 3. Granting to H. M. £3375 4s. 1d. n. t. p. 7 (1) pp.

KING'S COUNCIL.

"Under the King's government in Georgia, the legislative power was vested in three branches, the King's Governor, the King's Council, sitting as an Upper House, and the Commons House of Assembly." (Compiler's Preface v. 13, Ga. Colon. Records.)

Minutes.

The council consisted of twelve members in ordinary, and of two extraordinary members, viz, the surveyor-general and the superintendent-general of Indian affairs, appointed by the Crown and presided over by the governor.

No record of deposit of council minutes has been found. Jones, Hist. of Ga., ii: 474, quotes from MS. minutes.

1754, Oct. 30–Mar. 6, 1759. 968 pp. Ga. Colon. Records, v. 7.
1754–1759. 968 pp. ib., v. 7.
1759–1762. 815 pp. ib., v. 8.
1763–1766. 765 pp. ib., v. 9.
1767–1769. 1034 pp. ib., v. 10.
1770–1771. 461 pp. ib., v. 11.
1771–1772. 541 pp. ib., v. 12.

COMMONS HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

COLLECTIONS.

1755–1762. Journal of the Commons House of Assembly, Jan. 7, 1755–Dec. 16, 1762. 1907. 782 pp.
Ga. Colon. Records, v. 13.

Concerning this volume, and those to follow, the compiler says (v. 13, Ga. Colon. Records): "Volumes 13, 14 and 15 will contain all the journals of the Commons House of Assembly now in existence from the first meeting of the royal legislature, Jan. 7, 1755, to the final adjournment of the last meeting on June 16, 1782. The journals are full and complete up to Habersham's legislature in April, 1772. The journal of this legislature seems to be imperfect and sometimes conflicting. During the turbulent times which followed there was but little effort at legislation. There was no harmony between the legislative and executive departments, the representatives of the people not being in accord with the governor. The journals for this entire period are meagre and imperfect. From March, 1776, to May, 1780, there was no session of the legislature, and for nearly three years of this time there was no semblance of royal government in the province."

1763–1768. Journal of the Commons House of Assembly Jan. 17, 1763, to Dec. 24, 1768. 1907. 683 pp.
ib., v. 14.

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1769–1782. Journal of the Commons House of Assembly Oct. 30, 1769, to June 16, 1782. 1907. 685 pp.
Ib., v. 15.

Journal.

SEPARATES.

1. 1755, Jan. 7–Feb. 21.
2. 1755, Feb. 26–Mar. 7.
3. 1756, Feb. 2–19.
} Not contemporaneously printed.[a]

1. 1756, Nov. 1–Dec. 15. Not known to be extant.

1. 1757, Jan. 10–Feb. 17.
2. 1757, June 16–July 28.
3. 1758, Jan. 11–Mar. 15.
4. 1758, June 15–30.
5. 1758, Nov. 13–Dec. 13.
6. 1759, Jan. 16–Mar. 27.
} Not contemporaneously printed.

7. 1759, Oct. 22–Nov. 24.
8. 1760, ?–Apr. 24.
9. 1760, ?–May 1.
1760, [June 13?–] July 15.
} Not known to be extant.

1. 1760, Aug. 18.
2. 1760, Oct. 13–Jan. 12, 1761.
1. 1761, Mar. 24–June 9.
2. 1761, Nov. 10–Mar. 4, 1762.
3. 1762, Oct. 18–Apr. 7, 1763.
4. 1763, Nov. 21–Feb. 29, 1764.
} Not contemporaneously printed.

5. 1764, ?–May 29.
6. 1764, June 26–Sept. 24.
} Not known to be extant.

1. 1764, Nov. 20–Mar. 25, 1765.
2. 1765, Oct. 22–Mar. 6, 1766.
3. 1766, June 16–18.
4. 1766, July 15–22.
5. 1766, Nov. 10–Mar. 26, 1767.
6. 1767, Oct. 26–Apr. 11, 1768.
} Not printed; MS. in Public Record Office, London.

1. 1768, Nov. 17–Dec. 24. Not printed; ms. in Public Record Office, London.

1. 1769, Oct. 30–May 10, 1770. n. p., n. d. 52 pp. 4°.
2. 1770, Oct. 22–Feb. 22, 1771.
1. 1771, Apr. 23–26.
1. 1772, Apr. 21–25.
1. 1772, Dec. 9–Mar. 13, 1773.
} Not contemporaneously printed.

2. 1774, June 8–Sept. 29.
3. 1774. Jan. 28–Mar. 12.
4. 1774, ?–June 20.
} Not known to be extant.

5. 1775, Jan. 18–Feb. 10. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, i: 1152–1163. Jan. 18–20 only.
1775, May 9–11.
1775, May 15.
} Not known to be extant.
6. 1775, Nov. 7.

[a] Evans, no. 7672, has entry which implies having had record of a copy.

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Proceedings.

1775–1777. Ga. Hist. Socy. Coll., v, pt. 1: 15–127.
1775, June–Mar. 5, 1776. White. Ga. Hist. Coll., ed. 3: 86–92.
1776, Apr. 30–May 2. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, v: 1137–1138.

PROVINCIAL CONGRESS.

Minutes.

1775, July 4–25. Amer. Archives, ser. 4, ii: 1543–1557.
1775, July 4–12. Ga. Hist. Socy. Coll., v, pt. 1: 1–13.
1775, July 4–14. White. Hist. Coll. of Ga. (1854). pp. 65–85.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1751, Apr. 8. Henry Parker, president of council and acting governor.
1754, Oct. 1. John Reynolds, governor under the Crown of Great Britain.
1757, Feb. 16. Henry Ellis, governor.
1760, Oct. 31. James Wright, governor.
1771, July 2–Feb. 11, 1773. James Habersham, president of the council and acting governor, during absence of James Wright.

EXECUTIVE CORRESPONDENCE.

WRIGHT.

Letters, 1773–1782. Ga. Hist. Socy. Coll., iii: 157–375.

HABERSHAM.

Letters, 1756–1775. 245, vii pp. portr. ib., vi.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

1776–1789.

CONSTITUTION.

1777. Constitution.

1878. Poore. Charters, etc., i: 377–383.

Legislative.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

Under the constitution of 1776 the legislative body consisted of but one chamber, styled House of Assembly.

Journal.

1. 1777, May 8–June 17.
2. 1777, ?–Sept. 16.

1. 1778, Jan. 6–Mar. 1.
2. 1778, May 2–?
3. 1778, Oct. 30–Nov. 15.

1. 1779, Jan. 5–?
2. 1779, ?–July 24.
   1779, ?–Nov. ?

1. 1780, Jan. 4–Feb. 5 ?

} Republican?. Not known to be extant.

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1. 1780, May 5–July 10. Royalist.
2. 1780, Sept. 25–Oct. 30. Royalist.
3. 1780, Nov. 15.
4. 1780, Dec. 11–19.

} Not contemporaneously printed; MS. in Public Record Office, London.[a]

In vol. 15 of the Ga. Colon. Records there is printed an address of the Commons dated Feb. 23, 1782, one dated May 31, 1782, and an address of the Governor and General Assembly, dated June 16, 1782.

1. 1781, Aug. 17–22.
1. 1782, Jan. 1–12.
2. 1782, Apr. 17–May 4?.

} Royalist? Not printed; MS. in office of secy. of state, Georgia.[a]

3. 1782, July 3–4. Not known to be extant.
1782, July 13–Aug. 5.
4. 1782, Oct. 15–21.

} Not printed; MS. in office of secy. of state, Georgia.

1. 1783, Jan. 7–Feb. 18. Not printed; MS. in office of secy. of state, Georgia.

2. 1783, May 1–6.
1783, May 15–June 14.
1783, July 8–Aug. 1.

} Not known to be extant.

1. 1784, Jan. 6–Feb. 26.
2. 1784, July 5–13.
3. 1784, Oct. 6–14.

1. 1785, Jan. 4–Feb. 22.

1. 1786, Jan. 3–Feb. 14.
2. 1786, July 17–Aug. 15.

1. 1787, Jan. 2–Feb. 11.
2. 1787, July 3–Oct. 31.

1. 1788, Jan. 1–Feb. 1.
2. 1788, July 22–Aug. 6.
3. 1788, Nov. 4–13.

1. 1789, Jan. 6–Feb. 4.
2. 1789, Nov. 2–Dec. 24.
3. 1790, June 7–11.

} Not printed; MS. in office of secy. of state, Georgia.

Executive.

GOVERNORS.

REGISTER.

1777, May 8. John Adam Treutlen, governor.
1778, Jan. 8. John Houston, governor.
1778, Dec. 29. John Wereat, president of Executive Council.
1779, Nov. 4. George Walton, governor.
1780, Jan. 7. Richard Howley, governor.
1781, Jan. 7. Stephen Heard, president of Executive Council.
1781, Aug. 16. Nathan Brownson, governor.
1782, Jan. 8. John Martin, governor.
1783, Jan. 9. Lyman Hall, governor.
1784, Jan. 9. John Houston, governor.
1785, Jan. 14. Samuel Elbert, governor.
1786, Jan. 9. Edward Telfair, governor.
1787, Jan. 9. George Matthews, governor.
1788, Jan. 25. George Handley, governor.
1789, Jan. 9. George Walton, governor.

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[a] "Only the most meagre and fragmentary journals of these proceedings of this legislature can now be found, either here or in London. The first we have is that of May 9, 1780, and the last June 16, 1782, about three weeks before the British vacated the State. These Journals are so fragmentary and disconnected that they afford no intelligible account of what was done or attempted, but, such as they are, we have included in this compilation." (Preface, v. 13, Ga. Colon. Records.)

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